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TENDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SECONDHAND MATERIAL AND UNSERVICEABLE STORES, VIZ., RAIL PIECES, CAST AND WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL SCRAP, TYRES AND WHEELS SCRAP, BRASS BORINGS, LEAD SCRAP, PORTABLE BOILER FITTED TO ENGINE, etc., etc.

THE AGENT is prepared to receive TENDERS at his office, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, up to 1 p.m., (S.T.), on WEDNESDAY, 21st February, 1917, for the purchase of above, which can be seen on application to the Company's Wharf Superintendent, Wadi Bunder, Assistant Storekeeper, Jhansi, and at this Depot.

TENDERS.—These must be made out in the Company's authorised Forms, which can be had on application to the Undersigned at his office on payment of Rs. 2 per copy.

TERMS.—A sum equivalent to 10 per cent. of value of the material tendered for (subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 and a minimum of Rs. 200 only), must accompany each Tender, along with a cash deposit form, which is supplied gratis on application as a guarantee of good faith in due fulfilment of Contract, failure in which shall entail the forfeiture of the deposit without the Railway having to prove any loss by the transaction. Only cash or currency notes of the Bombay Circle if over Rs. 100 (on which no interest will be allowed) or Government Promissory Notes will be received as deposits, and if the latter they must be endorsed "Pay Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company or Order." Interest on Government Promissory Notes lodged with the Company as Tender deposits will not be realized by the Company unless such interest is payable at Bombay.

NOTE.—The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Applicants are requested not to tender for more material than they are able to pay for and remove within one month from the date of acceptance of Tender.

G. R. WEBB,
General Storekeeper.
General Storekeeper's Office,
Parel, 20th January, 1917.
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NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF SUMMER AND WINTER CLOTHING MATERIAL, SHOULDARIES, TENTS AND BUTTONS, etc. DURING THE YEAR 1917-18.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tenders for Summer and Winter Clothing Material, Shouldaries, Tents, etc., are invited and will be received by the Agent in his Office at Lahore, (Post Office, Naulakha) up to 13 hours on TUESDAY, the 6th March, 1917, at which date, time and place, they will be opened, in the presence of any Tenderers who wish to be present. The materials will require to be delivered during the 12 months commencing from the 1st of April, 1917, at Moghalpura Stores Depot, (Lahore), but may be consigned from outstations in accordance with the terms noted in the form of Tender.

(2.) Forms of Tender, with full particulars, can be obtained on application to the Chief Storekeeper, North Western Railway, Lahore, by whom a charge of Rs. 5 will be made for each copy required.

(3) Samples of the various items tendered, legibly marked with the name and address of the Tenderers, should be delivered free of all charges at the Office of the Chief Storekeeper, North Western Railway, Lahore, not later than 12 noon on Tuesday the 27th February 1917.

(4) Earnest Money as prescribed in the form of Tender, must be remitted in Cash or Currency Notes, to the Chief Cashier, North Western Railway, Naulakha, Lahore, with a covering letter, stating that the amount has been remitted in connection with the Tender for Summer and Winter Clothing Material, Shouldaries, Tents etc., and his receipt is to be attached to the form of Tender.

Currency Notes valuing Rs. 500 of other than Lahore Circle, will not be accepted.

(5) Tenders not submitted on the prescribed form, or received without the receipt for Earnest Money, will not be considered.

(6) The Agent holds himself at liberty to select one or more items from any Tender without reference to other items in the same Tender, and does not bind himself to accept the whole or any part of the lowest or any Tender.

(7) The acceptance or rejection of the Tenders, will not be notified till about a month from date of the opening of Tenders.

By order.
D. E. KEATINGE,
Chief Storekeeper,
6744. N. W. Ry.
Chief Storekeeper's Office,
Lahore, dated 18th January, 1917.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICE of Messrs. HAJI SULTAN ALI SHUSHTARY & Co. will be removed to late P. & O. Building, 19, Rampart Row, from the 25th January, 1917. 6748

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE HYDERABAD (DN.) SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by Messrs. Ewart Latham & Co., Bombay, on behalf of the Hyderabad (Deccan) Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. up to 4 o'clock p.m. (S.T.) on the 15th February, 1917, for the supply of stores required for the Mills of The Hyderabad (Deccan) Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd., Hyderabad (Deccan) for a period of one year from 1st March 1917, on the following terms:—

1. The Company will not be bound to accept the lowest Tender or the whole of the Tender, but will have the option to accept any Tender, or part of it.
2. Upon receipt of an indent, the Tenderer will despatch within a week, the articles indented for, the articles to be of the very best quality and to be delivered free on Rails, duly packed
3. If the quality of the stores be inferior and not approved of, the Tenderer will have to receive the same back bearing all charges.
4. If any store is found less in quantity or in number than that specified in the Invoice, the cost of the same will be deducted.
5. If the Tenderer fails to supply the stores ordered, in the time specified in clause No. 2 the Company may purchase the same at the Tenderer's risk, recovering the loss, if any, from bills that may be lying unpaid.
6. The Tenderer will specify his brand and make, and will submit samples of the stores he quotes for.
7. The Company is not bound to receive the exact quantity tendered for, but will receive, according to its requirements The limit, however, would be 25 per cent of the approximate quantity less or more.
8. Tenders will hold good for 40 days after receipt.

Schedules of Tender will be issued by Messrs. EWART LATHAM & Co. from 25th January, 1917, to 12th February, 1917. 6762.

THE BOMBAY BURMAH TRADING CORPORATION. LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Corporation will be held at the Office of the Corporation No. 3, Wallace Street on WEDNESDAY, 24th January, 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) for the following purposes:—

(1) To receive and consider the report of the Directors and the audited accounts for the year ending 31st May last.
(2) To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
(3) To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation.
(4) The elect Auditors for the ensuing year and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Corporation will be closed from 15th January to 1st February 1917, both days inclusive.
Bombay, 11th January 1917.
For the Bombay Burmah Trading Corp., Ltd.
WALLACE & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers & Managers.

In accordance with section 108 of the Articles of Association the Books of the above Corporation are open for the inspection of the Shareholders at the Office of the Corporation.
WALLACE & Co.,
6636. Secretaries, Treasurers & Managers.

THE BOMBAY BURMAH TRADING CORPORATION, LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation, Limited will be held at the registered office of the Company No. 3, Wallace Street Fort, Bombay on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of January, 1917, at 4-45 p.m. (S.T.) or so soon afterwards as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Corporation which has been convened for 4-30 p.m. on the same day, shall be concluded, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That Article XXIX of the Articles of Association of the Corporation be deleted and the following Article substituted therefor:—

XXIX. The Executor or the administrator of a deceased shareholder whether a European, Hindu, Mahomedan, Parsee or otherwise, shall be the only person recognised by the Company as having any title to his share except in cases of joint holders, in which case the surviving holder or holders, or the executor or administrator of the last surviving holder, shall be the only person entitled to be so recognised, but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of a deceased joint holder from any liability in respect of any share jointly held by him. The Company shall not be bound to recognise such executor or administrator, unless he shall have obtained Probate, or Letters of Administration, or other legal representation, as the case may be, from a duly constituted Court in British India having effect in Bombay. Provided nevertheless that in special cases, and in such only, it shall be lawful for the Directors to dispense with the production of Probate, or Letters of Administration, or such other legal representation, upon such terms as to indemnity or otherwise as the Directors may seem meet.

And Notice is hereby also given that, a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Corporation will be held at the Registered office aforesaid of the Corporation on Wednesday, the 14th day of February 1917 at 4-45 p.m. (S.T.) for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution, the above mentioned Resolution.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1917.
By order of the Board
WALLACE & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers & Managers.
6677.

NOTICE.

JEENA & Co. are prepared to clear and ship goods on quite reasonable terms including or excluding landing, warehousing, rent, insurance, duty, cartage and for delivery at the railway station or any part of Bombay.
All charges must be paid before delivery.
Special terms can be arranged with mercantile firms or others who may wish us to conduct their sole clearing and forwarding work.
JEENA & Co.,
84, Churchgate Street,
828 Fort, Bombay.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE REGISTERED OFFICE of the PERSIAN GULF STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, Limited, will be removed to Late P. & O. Building 19, Rampart Row, from the 25th January, 1917. 6749

NOTICE.

MESSRS. MATHRADAS & Co., Canada Building, Hornby Road, Bombay, have, as from this date, admitted Mr. COLIN MONRO ROSS, as a PARTNER in their Insurance Business, and are prepared to grant the most favourable rates and conditions for all classes of insurance risks. 6746
Canada Building, Bombay,
20th January, 1917.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai VIRBAIJI NASSARWANJI CAMA, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has agreed to sell to our clients the property hereinafter mentioned.

ALL persons having any claim or demand against the said property by way of mortgage, gift, sale, trust, possession, inheritance lease, lien or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office in the Oriental Buildings, Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof as otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim or demand and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Fazandari land or ground together with the messuage tenement or building standing thereon, situate lying and being at the corner of of Nagdevi Street, and Janjikar Street without the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement Two hundred and seventy four square yards or thereabouts (be it more or less) and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 195, New No. 1560, Old Survey No. 2/887 and New Survey No. 2076 and bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the East by the property of Mahomedbhai Moochhala on or towards the West by the Nagdevi Street aforesaid on or towards the North by the property of Hyderali Casumji and on or towards the South by the Janjikar Street aforesaid and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B Ward No. 393 and 544 and Street Nos. 89-97 174-94 and 186-88 and were formerly and are now in the occupation of the Vendors tenants.

WADIA GHANDY & Co.
Attorneys for the Purchaser.
Oriental Buildings,
Esplanade Road, Fort,
Bombay, 22nd January, 1917. 6763

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.
Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of THAKER NATHOOBHAI TRICUMJEE, a widower, a Broker, late of Bombay Bhatia Hindu inhabitant ..... Deceased
VASSONJI NATHOOBHOY, of Bombay Bhatia Hindu inhabitant, the only son of the deceased residing at Santa Cruz in the District of Thana ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT Kt., Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this Fifteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and in the seventh year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) A. M. KAJIJI,
Registrar.
(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI.

The 16th day of January, 1917.
Messrs. SHROFF & DINSHA,
Petitioners Attorneys.
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SALE BY AUCTION

BENNETT & CO.
NO. 22, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES, AT CLIVE ROAD, ELPHINSTONE LAND ESTATE.

Under instructions of the owner, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, at the premises, the undermentioned properties, at 4 p.m. (S. T.). THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of January, 1917, in three different lots.

LOT No. 1—All that piece or parcel of land, situate on the Elphinstone Land Estate, in the Island of Bombay, including half the gully between this piece and Lot No. 2 containing by admeasurement 438 square yards or thereabouts with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the South by the Russel Street, on or towards the North by the godown described in Lot No. 2, on or towards the East by the Clive Road, and on or towards the West by the Russel Street, which said premises are assessed along with the hereditaments and premises described hereunder in Lot Nos. 2 and 3, by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 3186, and by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward Nos. 4869 and 4870, Street No. 12½A and 222, and situate in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay.

LOT No. 2.—All that piece or parcel of land, situate on the Elphinstone Land Estate in the Island of Bombay, including half the gully between this piece and Lot No. 1, containing by admeasurement 467 square yards or thereabouts with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the South by the property described hereunder in Lot No. 1, on or towards the North by the property described hereunder in Lot No. 3, on or towards the East by the Clive Road, and on or towards the West by the Russel Street, which said premises are assessed along with the hereditaments and premises described hereunder in Lots Nos. 1 and 3 by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 3186, and by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward Nos. 4869 and 4870, Street Nos. 12½A and 22?, and are situate in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay.

LOT No. 3.—All that piece or parcel of land, situate on the Elphinstone Land Estate in the Island of Bombay, including the gully between this and Lot No. 2, containing by admeasurement 453 square yards or thereabouts with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the North by the property of Bhanji Shamji, on or towards the South by the hereditaments and premises described hereunder in Lot No. 3, on or towards the East by the Clive Road, and on or towards the West by the Russel Street, which said premises are assessed along with other hereditaments and premises described hereunder in Lot Nos. 1 and 2, by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 3185, and by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward Nos. 4869 and 4870, Street Nos. 12½A and 122, and are situate in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Attorneys for the owner, at their Office, at 121, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or to the undersigned.

AS NOWADAYS BOGUS SALES ARE ADVERTISED AS BONA-FIDE SALE, SO WE NOTIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING IS A GENUINE BONA-FIDE SALE.

GENUINE BONA-FIDE SALE.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable Mahogany English furniture, rare and very old carved and open carved furniture, rich English clocks by James McCabe, solid silver-ware, rare and old China jars and vases, rich cut glass chandeliers, etc., etc.

Under instruction from the Executors of the late Sir Jacob Sassoon, Bart., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 25th, and FRIDAY, the 26th day of January, 1917, at 2 p.m. (S.T.), each day sell by Public Auction, at "Braganza Hall," Victoira Road, Byculla, next to Dr. Masina's Hospital, rich and made to order very valuable English Mahogany drawing, dining and bed room furniture, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware and solid silverware, rare and very old carved and open carved blackwood furniture, consisting of mahogany rich silk and leather lined drawing room sofas, chairs and easy chairs, mahogany large dining table, mahogany dining chairs, large single and double mahogany almyrahs, clothes and gown presses, mahogany dressing tables and chest of drawers, English marble top pier tables with pier glasses, blackwood open carved oval and round tables and teapoys, silk lined black wood sofas, blackwood carved single and double bedsteads, rich English brass bedsteads, English chiming clocks, by James McCabe, "Rimiel" and "French" one full size Mahogany slate Billiard table with balls, lamps cues, etc., complete by Burroughs and Watts London, rich figures and fancy ornaments, old rare China jars and vases, fancy old English vases and figures, rich oil paintings, engraving and oleographs, one sweet toned semigrand piano rich China matting of drawing and bed room specially ordered out from China, 20, 15, 10 and 6 lights rich cut glass hanging chandeliers, electric, table and hanging fans, with regulators, one fire proof iron safe on stand, by Chubb and Sons, copper cooking utensils, horse food crushing machines, ice box one large English cooking stove with hot water tanks, etc., etc.

Also very rich garden glass and earthen pots with pedestals, rich standard roses, best palms, crotons, ferns, begonias, garden implements, etc., etc.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

AT 2 P.M. (S. T.).

1 second-hand glass fronted miniature office brougham.
1 second-hand rubber tyred palanquin office shigram.
1 second-hand rubber tyred victoria, in good order.
1 grey Arab horse, aged, quiet in harness.

AUCTION SALE OF LEATHER SCRAPS AND LEATHER CUTTINGS.

Under instructions from Messrs. Sir Adamji Pirbhoy and Sons, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on THURSDAY, the 1st February, 1917, sell by Public Auction, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Tardeo on the Mill premises, the following in small lots to suit the requirements of the purchasers.

One large lot of Leather Scraps and Leather Cuttings.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the goods should be cleared away the next day on payment of the balance of the purchase money.

The above will be on view on the morning of the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF BALES OF YARN AND PIECE-GOODS AND COTTON SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY FIRE AND WATER.

Under instructions from the Fire Insurance Offices concerned, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on a day to be fixed hereafter sell by Public Auction, at the Indore-Malwa Spinning and Weaving Co. Mill at Indore, the following goods salved from the late fire which occurred at the Mills a week ago.

1,113 bales of piece-goods of different sizes and pattern.
772 full-pressed bales of cotton.
890 boras of cotton, 332 of which contain cotton dyed at the Mills.
About six lakhs lbs. of yarn and waste of different kinds.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

BENNETT & Co.
Bombay, 24th January, 1917.

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SALE BY AUCTION

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Auctioneers to the Government, G. I. P. Railway, etc.
No. 53, Meadows Street, Fort, Bombay.
Telephone No. 1285.
Residence Telephone No. 696.

AUCTION SALE OF 79 CASES CALCUTTA TEA.

On MONDAY, the 29th day of January, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of Seth Mansukhlal Laloobhai and on account and at the risk of Mr. A. Nimazee.

Lot No. 185 A. N.—24 cases Calcutta Tea, each 114 lbs.
Lot No. 219 A. N.—16 cases Calcutta Tea, each 100 lbs.
Lot No. 228 A. N.—14 cases Calcutta Tea, each 108 lbs.
Lot No. 233 A. N.—9 cases Calcutta Tea, each 90 lbs.
Lot No. 238 A. N.—16 cases Calcutta Tea, each 99 lbs.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

The balance to be paid and goods taken delivery of within 4 days from the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE UNCLAIMED GOODS AND SWEEPINGS, ETC., AT WADI BUNDER GOODS DEPOT OF THE G. I. P. RAILWAY.

Under instructions from the G. I. P. Railway Company and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railway Act IX of 1890, Messrs. MEHTA and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st January, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the Railway Company's Goods Depot, at Wadi Bunder, the following consisting of a quantity of unclaimed goods and sweepings, such as bags of cotton seed, bags of jawari, bags of linseed, bags of wheat, bags of rice, bags of castor seed, bags of rape seed, bags of tilly, bags of barley, bags of moha flower, bags of harda, bags of methi, bags of tamarind, bags of gram dall, bundles of bagging, bundles of cotton, bundles of jogree, bundles of coir rope, baskets of chooris, empty wooden casks, empty wooden cases, box of medicine, box of iron rivets, loose iron pipes, bags of sweeping grain, etc.

Also from Budhugaon to V. T. Inv. No. 1 of 4-10-16.

A case iron nails, 1 case writing slate.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

A VERY GOOD INVESTMENT.

AUCTION SALE OF A VERY VALUABLE NEWLY BUILT LANDED PROPERTY AT PAREL ROAD (NEAR CHINCHPOWKLI STATION OF THE G. I. P. RY.) AND OPPOSITE CHINCHPOWKLI FIRE BRIGADE.

On SATURDAY, the 17th February at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. will, by order of and under instructions from Messrs. Shamrao Minocheher and Hiralal, attorneys for the owners, sell by Public Auction on the premises the very valuable newly built landed property at the junction of two main roads and accruing very good rent and more particularly described in the schedule hereunder:—

All that piece or parcel of Freehold land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling houses and chawls standing thereon situate lying and being on the Western side of Parel Road without the Fort of Bombay containing by admeasurement 5,528 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 143 and 736, New Nos. 1/3164 and 1/12730, 1/13598 and 1/1314 and New Survey Nos. 1/3609, 3A/3609 and 2A/3609, 1A/3609 and in the Books of the Municipality of Bombay under Wards Nos. 7608 (1), 7617, 7618, 7619, 7620, 7621, 7622, 7627 (1), 7630 and Street Nos. (1) 10—11—12—13—14—15 (1) 348 to 370 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the Parel Road, on or towards the West partly by the stable yard and partly by public passage, on or towards the South by the public passage and on or towards the north by the property of Judowji Thobhvan.

For further particulars, conditions of sale and inspection of Title Deeds application may be made to Messrs. Shamrao Minocheher and Hiralal, Attorneys for the owners, hereinat their offices at 95, Ash Lane, Fort, or to the undersigned.

Note—The above property will be sold under guarantee of Marketable Title.

MEHTA & CO.
Auctioneers.

CRAWFORD & CO.
AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
16, Apollo Street, Fort.
Telephone No. 521.

SALE TO-DAY AT 2-30 p.m.

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO ARISTOCRATIC AND RICH GENTLEMEN.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable Italian Marble Statues, Very Artistic Furniture, Old Bohemian and English Cut Glassware, etc.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by public auction THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of January, 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Waterloo Mansion, Wodehouse Road, near the Hotel Majestic, a collection of very artistic and beautiful marble statues, consisting of four seasons and very attractive subjects, bronze statues and vases, artistic handsome marble fountain marble pillars and pots, antique silver glass inlaid swings with organs, old Bohemian cut glass jewelled boxes, big mirrors, electro-platedware, old English cut glass and old Bohemian glassware, viz.:—mirrors, scented bottles, caskets, plates and vases, etc. blackwood and mahoganized settee sofas, chairs, tables of up-to-date designs, sliding dining table, Dun's safe, old collection of brass vases etc.

The above goods are on view.

AUCTION SALE OF ABOUT 1,150 BALES OF SUPERFINE STAPLED AMROATI, KHANDWA, BARSI CHALISGAON AND BENGAL COTTON (SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY FIRE AND WATER.)

Under instructions from the Insurance Company, concerned Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, the 25th day of January, 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), at Arthur Bunder next to the Fort Press Co., Ld., Colaba, the salvage of the fire at the godown of the Indian Cotton Co., Ld., consisting of:—

About 850 bales of Amroati Cotton (slightly damaged by fire and water).
About 150 bales of Khandwa and Barsi Cotton (slightly damaged by fire and water.)
About 150 bales of Chalisgaon Cotton slightly damaged by fire and water.

A deposit of 50 per cent will be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and delivery to be taken on the next day.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE TERRA-COTTA and MARBLE FIGURES, RICH GLASSWARE, PLATEDWARE, etc.

Under instructions from Mr. Pallonji Jamshedji Limboowalla, the mortgagee and on account and risk of Mr. Bomanji Edulji Soonawala. The Mortgagor, Messrs CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by public auction on SATURDAY, the 27th day of January, 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at No. 16, Cowasji Patel Street, Fort, very valuable household furniture consisting of almirahs, tables, chairs, side boards, marble top tables, easy and rocking chairs, teak wood and iron bedsteads, fancy tenonrs, bronze terra cotta and marble figures, Chinese flower pots, table ornaments rich cut-glassware plated-ware by Reed and Barton crockeryware, German Silver and brass pots etc.

CRAWFORD & Co.
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 24th January, 1917.

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THE WEATHER

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Jan. 23.

A few falls of rain is reported from north-east Baluchistan and hills of extreme north Upper Assam.

Chaman, Parachinar Tezpur had half an inch.

Conditions are still unsettled over the extreme north but no marked depression now exists.

Forecast:—Some precipitation in the extreme north. A few falls of rain in Upper Assam North Burma.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 23rd January 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hous.

The Punjab.—Skies are moderately clouded in the extreme north and clear elsewhere. Day temperature has risen and is now in excess except in the south-west Punjab and the extreme north; night temperature is above normal in the north and the south-west Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Day temperature is in excess; night temperature is also above normal at Mainpuri and Cawnpore.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are generally clear. The air is damper than usual in Sind. Night temperature is in excess in Sind but has become normal in Rajputana; day temperature has fallen but is still in excess in north Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Temperature has fallen and become normal.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Temperature is in excess in the northern half of the division and at Raipur.

The Konkan.—Skies are generally clear. Humidity is normal or in defect.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess.

General Remarks.—Local rain has again fallen in north Baluchistan.

A few showers may occur in Baluchistan.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 22nd Jan. 1917

Means of observations taken at 8 a.m., 12 a.m., 2 p.m. 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.	
Barometer corrected to 32 deg Fahr.	29.929 Inch.
Temperature of Air	76.6 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	70.6 "
Dew Point	67.9 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.750 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy—10)	0.0 "
Maximum temperature of Air	83.4 "
Minimum do. do.	70.3 "
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	NNW,NNE,NW,NNW.
Movement of Wind in 24 hours from midnight to midnight	139 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES IN BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Still.	Day of Month.	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Still.
	Jan	h m	ft. in	Jan.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	23	m 11 6	27 10	23	m 5 20	18 0
		11 53a	30 9		5 5a	14 2
Wed	24	m 11 56	28 6	24	m 6 2	16 11
					5 51a	14 2
Thur	25	m 0 31	31 0	25	m 6 43	16 2
		0 43a	28 11		6 36a	14 9
Fri.	26	m 1 10	30 10	26	m 7 25	15 9
		1 30a	28 9		7 21a	15 8
Sat.	27	m 1 50	30 2	27	m 8 8	15 9
		2 20a	28 2		8 6a	17 1
Sun	28	m 2 31	29 1	28	m 8 52	16 1
		3 14a	27 3		8 52a	18 8
Mon.	29	m 3 14	27 10	29	m 9 39	16 9
		4 14a	25 3		9 42a	20 4

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Jan.		Sunrise.	Sunset.
,, 23	(Tuesday)	,, 7h. 15m.	,, 6h 26m.
,, 24	(Wednesday)	,, 7h. 15m.	,, 6h 27m.
,, 25	(Thursday)	,, 7h 15m	,, 6h 27m.
,, 26	(Friday)	,, 7h 14m.	,, 6h 28m.
,, 27	(Saturday)	,, 7h 14m.	,, 6h 29m.
,, 28	(Sunday)	,, 7h. 14m.	,, 6h 29m.
,, 29	(Monday)	,, 7h. 14m.	,, 6h 30m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

New Moon	1917 Jan.	23rd.,	1h. 10.0m. p m.
First Quarter	,, ,,	30th.,	6h. 31.5m. a.m.
Full Moon	1917 Feb.	7th.,	8h. 58.4m. a.m.
Last Quarter	,, ,,	15th.,	7h. 23.2m. a.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 23rd January 1917 was 30.141 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by 031 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

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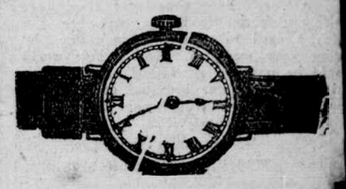
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(Reuter's Telegram.)

Liverpool, Jan. 22nd.

	Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool	8,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.	500
" " Sales of East Indian	200
" Imports	13,000
Mid. Americans	10.71
Egyptian F. G. F.	20.95
New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time.) March	16.77
May	16.93
New Orleans 10 a.m. March	16.31
May	16.46

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Jan. 22nd.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Months.	To-day's opening price.
January	10.33
Jan.-Feb.	10.34
Feb.-Mar.	10.34
Mar.-Apl.	10.38
Apl.-May	10.36
May-June	10.37
June-July	10.35
July-Aug.	10.32
Aug.-Sept.	10.07
Sept.-Oct.	9.78
Oct.-Nov.	9.66
Nov.-Dec.	9.59
Dec.-Jan.	9.56
Jan.-Feb.	9.53

Prices taken at 10-10 a.m nearest actual values.

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Jan. 22nd.

Months.	To-day's closing price
January	10.33
Jan.-Feb.	10.33
Feb.-March	10.34
March-April	10.37
April-May	10.34
May-June	10.34
June-July	10.30
July-Aug.	10.25
Aug.-Sept.	10.03
Sept.-Oct.	9.74
Oct.-Nov.	9.62
Nov.-Dec.	9.55
Dec.-Jan.	9.52
Jan.-Feb.	9.49

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Liverpool, Jan. 22nd. To-day's price.

March	18.50
May	17.95
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ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, Jan. 22nd.

M. G. Bengal Good	7.24
" " Fully Good	7.41
" " Fine	7.60
" No. 1 Oomra Good	8.14
" " Fully Good	8.32
" " Fine	8.50
" Broach Good	9.89
" " Fully Good	10.07
" " Fine	10.28

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 22nd.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	15,000
Futures at New York March	16.72
" " May	16.89
Spot Cotton at New York	16.77
" " Orleans	16.94
Futures at New Orleans March	16.31
" " May	16.47

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London, Jan. 22nd.

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BOMBAY MARKET.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Jan. 23.

The market at Colaba opened weak with M. G. Good Broach at Rs. 381 and having touched the highest point at Rs. 385 declined to Rs. 383.

Some business is reported in the bazaar for Khamgaum Akola and Bengal January settlement, also some business is done in Bengal for March delivery.

Ready Cotton is in poor demand.

Quotations are:—

M. G. Good Broach at Rs. 383.

M. G. Fully Good Bengal at Rs. 290.

M. G. Khamgaum Akola at Rs. 395.

Messrs. PATEL BROS' APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS AT MID-DAY.

Bombay, Jan. 23rd.

Description.	Jan 1917	Mar. 1917	April 1917	Spot. Cotton
	Delivery.			
Broach, Good M.G.	—	—	382	—
Broach, Fine M.G.	—	395	392	New
Bengal, F.G. M.G.	286	282	—	280/90
Bengal, Fine M.G.	297	299	—	290/00
Bengal, Superfine M.G.	—	—	—	300/10
Rajputana, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	292/02
Sind Panjab, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	290/00
Kham./Akola Fine M.G.	395	360/1	—	360/95
Illich/Amraoti, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	360/90
Dhamg./Pulgaon, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	370/95
Yeotmal, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	380/00
Nagpore, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	385/02
Hingt./Wardha, Fine G.M.	—	—	—	385/05
Khandeish, Fine M.G.	381	—	—	350/80
Khandeish, F.G. M.G.	352/3	—	—	320/40
Khandwa Sanawad F.G. M.G.	—	—	—	315/25
Jalna F.G. M.G	—	—	—	345/55
Indore, F.G. M.G.	—	—	—	—
Ujjain, F.G. M.G.	—	—	—	—
Nander, F.G. M.G.	—	—	—	—
Mathia, Fine M.G.	—	—	—	340/50
Mathia, F.G. M.G.	—	—	—	330/40
Saw Ginned Dharwar Good	—	—	—	—
Ocomptas, Good M.G.	—	—	—	—
Westerns, Good M.G.	—	—	—	—
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Bengals (M.G.)	310	302	292	—	Ready
Scinde-Punjab (M.G.)	308	300	290	—	Ready
	310	300	290	—	1/25thJan. 17
Khandesh (M.G.)	—	383	358	—	Ready
	—	388	363	—	1/25th Jan. 17
Jalna (M.G.) G.S.	—	—	365	—	Ready
Barsee (M.G.) G.S.	—	—	385	—	Ready
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Bombay, Jan. 23rd—4 p.m.

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Linseed, Brown Bold	10 0 0	10 6 0
" Brown Thin	9 9 0	9 15 0
Teelseed, White 85.15	48 0 0	9 12 0
" Gujar 75.25	40 0 0	9 6 0
" Black	40 0 0	8 4 0
" Gujar 50.50	44 0 0	9 0 0
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Allahabad Bank	10	Jan.-July	18¾	305
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Bank of Baroda Rs. 50	100	Feb.-July.	9%	72
Bank of Bombay	500	—	15%	1,500
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Bank of India Rs.50	100	Feb.-July	7%	83
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Central Bk. of India Rs. 35	50	—	5%	27
Central Co-op., Bk., Rs. 50	50	—	6%	32
Standard Bk. (P 50	100	Jan.-July	Nil.	6
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SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

		Last half Year Div.		
Ahmedabad Advance	500	May.	40	880
Bhimani Cotton Mill	100	—	8	290
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Bo. Dyeing and Mfg. Company	250	—	25	890
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Century	100	May-Nov.	10	300
Central India O	500	May-Nov.	90	2,170
Central India P	500	Mar.-Sept.	5%	437½ X.D.
China	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	30	350
Colaba Land& Mill	700	—	55	1,300
Cooria	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Yr. 50	130
Crescent	100	April.	5	157½
Carrimbhoy	250	Mar.-Sept.	15	105
David	250	do.	15	577½
Edward Sassoon	200	May-Nov.	10	480
Emperor Edward	500	—	25	545
Fazulbhoy	250	Mar.-Sept.	25	562½
Framji Petit	1,000	May.	40	1,250
Finlay Mills	250	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	265
Gold Mohur	500	—	15	460
Globe	100	—	Nil.	80 nom.
Hindustan	1,000	—	50	525
Hyderabad	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	50	1,500
Indian Dyeing and Bleaching	100	do.	12½	252½
Indian Manufg.	1,000	—	20	525
Indo-China Mfg.,	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	60	800
Indore Malwa	100	Apl.-Oct.	15	577½
Jamshed Manufg	250	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	60
Jewraj Baloo	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	395
Kasturchand	1,000	do.	35	970
Khandesh	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	35	1,025
Khatao	1,000	June-Dec.	45	1,825
Kohinoor	500	May-Nov.	15	720
Lakshmi Cotton	1,000	Mar.-Aug.	100	1,320
MadhowjiDharamsi	500	April	55	1,450
Mauras United	1,000	June-Dec.	50	1,455
Maneckjee Petit	1,000	do.	50	1300
Meyer Sassoon	100	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	85
Morarjee Goculdas	1,000	—	80	2,300
Nawab of Cambay	500	Apl.-Oct.	20	530 nom.
New Great Eastern	200	—	4	160
New City of Bombay	500	Apl.-Oct.	25	725
Pearl	250	—	15	430
Phoenix	100	Mar.-Sept.	8	165
Presidency	1,000	Jan.-July	Nil.	240
Sassoon Cotton	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	350
Sasson Silk	500	April	Nil.	340
Sholapore	1,000	do.	150	5,100
Sir Shapurji Broacha Mills	Rs. 50	—	Nil.	99
Simplex	250	June.-Dec.	15	627½
Standard Mills	500	Nov.	40	1,380
Sun	125	May-Nov.	5	30
Swan	250	Oct.	7½	375
Swadeshi	500	Mar.-Oct	50	1,670
Tata Mill (O.	500	400	—	630
Tata Mill (P.	500	400	5%	370
Textile	500	May-Oct.	40	1,465
Union Mill	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	200
Vishnu Cotton (O.	500	—	Nil.	500
Vishnu Cotton (P.	500	—	7%	930
Western India	1,000	—	25	875 X. D.
Mysore Spinning	250	Sept.	8%	300

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Dholka Railway	100	Mar.-Aug.	5¾%	116
Amritsar Patti Rly.	100	do.	3%	125
Ahmedabad Prantij Railway	500	do.	8%	660
Ahmedabad Prantij Debenture	500	do.	4½%	Par 560
*Central Provinces Railway	100	Jan.-July	5%	110
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Mandra Bhon Rly. Rs. 90	100	do.	4%	87
Pachora Jamur Rly. Rs. 75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	85
Sara Sirajganj Ry. Rs. 100	100	Jan.-July	4%	98 C-D
Sialkot Narowal Ry Rs. 75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	112
*Sind Light Rly.	100	Mar.-Aug.	7%	145
Tapti Valley Rly.	500	Mar.-Aug.	6%	560
Upper Sind Light Rly. Rs. 100	100	Jan.-July	5%	107

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar	Rs. 750	May.	Rs. 250	Rs. 980
Albert Kurrachee	1,000	Nov.	45	850
Breul's Cawnpore	200	Aug.	Nil.	80
Bellary Press	275	—	15	100
Broach City	200	Oct.	8	120
Fort	475	Nov.	30	800
Godavery Valley	100	—	12	100
Harvey and Sabapat	500	July	40	645
Hindustan P. & M.	250	—	—	123
Hingolee	100	Sept.	Nil.	70
Indian Cotton	125	Oct. —	6¼	130
Jumna Ging & P. Co Ltd.	1,000	—	7%	700
Kurrachee Press	500	Jan.	8%	500
Khamgaum	400	Sept.	Nil.	335
Mahmudpura Ctn.	125	—	7½	100
Mahuva	200	Oct.	Nil.	125
Mercantile	125	do.	Nil.	20
Manmar Mfg.,	250	Aug.	15	237½
New East Indian	1,000	Sept	40	1,000
New Mofussil Co.,	400	Nov.	50	765
New Berar	500	Oct.	25	120
New Prince of Wales	500	do.	40	750
Sind	400	Nov.	Nil.	250
Surat City	200	Oct. —	18	255
Volkart U.P.Co., Ld.	500	Sept.	20	500
Vardwan, G.P.	150	—	—	101

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Alcock Ashdown Co.	100	Oct.-May	50	480
All-India U. Co. Rs20	100	August.	Rs. 1	4
Bamanktua	5	—	Rs. 2	7½
Back Bay Bath	50	—	6	92
Badham Pile	70	June —	8	X-D 92
Baroda Tram Co.,	100	—	Nil.	45
Brick and Tile	80	—	Nil.	100
Bri. Burma Pat	600	Nil.	Nil.	5
Bo. Burma T. Corporation	125	Jan.-Aug.	15H.T.	1,075
B. Electric Sup. and T. Co. Ltd. (P	£10	Feb.-Aug.	6%	157
B. Electric Sup. and T. Co. Ltd. (O	£10	July.	7%	315
Bombay Ice. Mfg.,	40	—	Rs. 2	26
Bombay Flour Mill	500	Mar.-Oct.	100	1,540
Bombay Land& Building	400	—	25	380
Bombay Steam Navigation Co. (O	250	Mar.-Sept.	12½	270
Bombay Steam Navigation Co. (P	250	Feb.-Oct.	6%	X-D 245
Bundi Cement Co.,	10	New Co. —	Nil.	21½
Central I.M.Co. Ltd	10	April	2	45
City of Bo. Bldg. Co.	500	Dec.-Jan.	25	320
Delhi Flour	200	Sept.	5	120
Empire of I. Life Rs.50	500	—	42%	355
The Eastern (O	£1	Nil.	Nil.	18
Chemical Co. (D 2ah.	2sh.	Nil.	Nil.	35
Indian Cement Co. Rs. 250	250	—	Nil.	385
	100	—	Rs. 3	267½
Katni Cement (O	40	—	Nil.	935
Katni Cement (D, P	100	—	7%	168
Ind. Mercantile In, Co., Ltd. Rs. 20	100	Dec.	6¼%	15
Indian Cotton Oil Co. (O. Old 1 0 New Issue 75	100	Dec.-July.	7%	105
Indian Cotton Oil Co. (P. 150	100	Dec.-July	7%	80
	250	March.	7%	215
John Roberts & Co.	100	Oct.-July.	15	200
Jost's Eng., Co., Ld Rs. 50	50	July	10%	55
Kemp & Co., Rs. 175	200	do.	Rs. 16	197
Kurrachee Landg. Re. 75	200	—	Nil.	100
Marcks & Co.	100	July	10	80
Mackenzie's Saw Mills	100	—	Rs. 15	202½
Marsland Price Co. P	100	—	6%	80 nom.
Marsland Price Co. P	100	—	7%	65
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Phillips & Co.	40	July	Rs. 8	21½
Port Canning Co.	1,000	Sept.	40	725
Shivrajpur Synd etc.	10	—	Rs. 1	45
Sirdar Carbonic Gas Co.	100	Mar.-Aug.	3	55 nom.
Siddeley Ice Mfg. Co.	100	—	6	100
Tata Iron Steel Co.	75	Jan. & June	6%	X.D. 275
	30		25%	X.D. 975
			6%	165
Tata Hydro Elec.	1,000	Jan.	4%	X.D. 1,110
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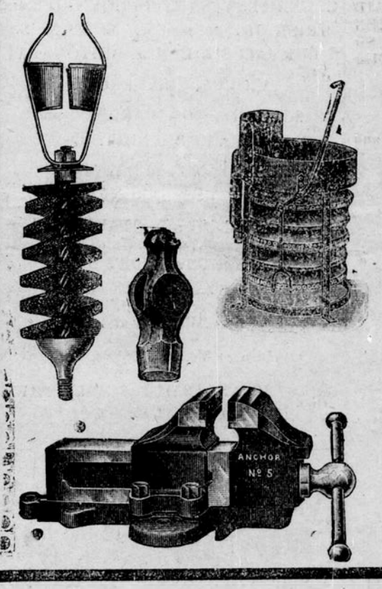

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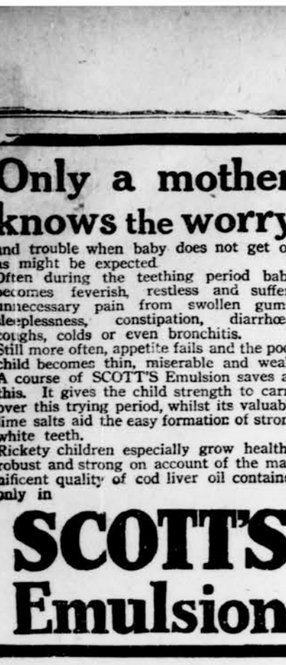

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Hindu: 1st of Posh Sud, 1917.
Sunrise: 7-15 Sunset 6-22.
Phases of the Moon, Full Moon, Feb. 7.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Bombay Races: Eighth Extra Meeting.
Balloting for the Election of a Deputy Chairman of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co., in "Esmeralda."

THURSDAY, January 25.
First Criminal Sessions, Bombay High Court, 10-30 a.m.
Scots' Company, B.V.R., Burns' Concert Town Hall, 9-30.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co. in "Esmeralda."

FRIDAY, January 26.
Lady Hardinge War Hospital Dance, in aid of Belgian Fund, at the Town Hall.
Laying of the Foundation Stone of the New Buildings of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute at Matunga by H. E. the Governor, 5-15 p.m.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co. in "Charley's Aunt."

SATURDAY, Jan. 27.
Excelsion Theatre: Bandman Comedy "Grand Triple Bill" at 9-45.

SUNDAY, Jan. 21.
Excelsior Theatre: Matinee at 6 p.m. Bandmann Comedy Co., in "Grand Triple Bill."

DAILY.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co. at 9-45. Cinema at 6-30.
Empire Cinema: Sir Herbert Free in "Macbeth 6. 8 and 10 p.m.
Royal Opera House, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: at 6-30 and 10 p.m. every Wednesday, Saturday and Monday, 10 p.m., Show every Sunday at 6-30 at Edwardes.
New Alexandra Cinema, Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Olympia Cinema, Sandhurst Road.
West End Cinema, Charni Road: 6-45, 8-30 and 10.
New Alhambra Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.

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Domestic Occurrence.

UTHAMNA CEREMONY.

The Uthamana ceremony of the late Mr. Gulabchand Motichand Damania, Solicitor, who died on the 21st instant. will take place at his bungalow at Chowpatty this day the 24th instant at 9 a.m. (S.T.).

1ST TROOPS BOMBAY BADEN POWELL BOY SCOUTS.

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

Orders for the week ending January 27th 1917:—
Wednesday Jan. 24th:—Plain clothes parade on Maidan at 5-30 p.m. Instructions in Tenderfoot and 2nd Class Tests, Cubs—Knot tying and instructions in Scouting.
Saturday Jan. 27th.—Uniform parade on Maidan at 4 p.m. Field work and Scouting. Compulsory charge:—Senior P/L Bassons will act in-charge of 1st Troop during my absence from parades, and notices as to change of parades will be published by S.P./L Bassons.
Shield Competition and Annual Display.—Will be held about the end of March or beginning of April.
Efficiency:—From now onwards marks will be awarded to each patrol for efficiency.
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Riding School.—Riding School daily (except Wednesday) for Recruits and members in possession of Remounts at 7-15 a.m.
Parades Salsette Detachment.—"C" and "D" Troops will parade to-day Tuesday the 23rd instant. Rendezvous Jackal Club Flats 7 a.m.
Dress.—Drill order, khaki shirts, rifles, swords and bandoliers.
Squadron Parade.—The Squadron will parade on Wednesday morning next the 24th instant. Rendezvous Church Gate Station 7-15 a.m.
Dress.—Drill order, khaki shirts, rifles, swords and bandoliers.
Riding School Salsette Detachment.—There will be Riding School for "C" and "D" Troops at the Camp Riding School on Friday morning next, the 26th instant at 7 a.m.
Dress.—Drill order, khaki shirts, rifles, swords and bandoliers.
Enrolments.—The following members having joined are taken on the strength and posted to "B" Troop, dated 20th January, 1917:—
Messrs. W. H. Woodroffe and C. C. Sherwood.
(Sd.) E. G. PEARSON, 2nd-Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant, Bombay Light Horse.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Jan. 24.

524—Battalion Duties.—Orderly Sergeants will be furnished by "A" Company during week ending January 27th.
525—Miniature Range.—The Miniature Range will be open from 6 to 8 p.m. daily except Saturday afternoons and Sundays.
526—Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted for Class Firing as follows:—
"F" Company—To-day, Wednesday, 24th January.
"I" Company—Cadets, Thursday 25th, and Friday 26th January.
"K" Company—Cadets, Saturday, 27th January.
"J" Company—Sunday, 28th January.
"K" Company—Cadets, Monday, 28th, and Tuesday 30th January.
527—Armoury.—The Armoury will be open for issue and return of Arms as follows:—
Daily except on Saturday evenings and Sundays from 7 a.m. to 12 noon and from 5-45 to 7-45 p.m.
528—Proficiency.—Candidates will parade on Tuesdays and Thursdays (morning at 7-15 a.m. and on Wednesdays and Fridays (evening) at 6-30 p.m. at Headquarters. Pencils and note books to be brought on all parades. Dress—Optional.
530—Camp.—The Camp of instruction at Santa Cruz will commence on Friday night, February 2nd, and will continue until Monday night February 12th. "B" "E" "G" "J" Companies are detailed to attend during the first week end and the remaining Adult Companies during the second week end. Cadets will arrive in Camp on Tuesday, February 6th, and leave on Friday, February 9th. Further orders will be issued later to Officers Commanding Companies.
532—Parades.—"A" Company, No. II Section on Friday, 26th instant, at sunrise at the Sir Richard Temple Statue. Preventive uniform belts and arms. Outposts.
"C" Company.—Recruits, Wednesday and Friday at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters.
"F" Company.—Every Monday, at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters. Dress—Drill order.
(Sd.) C. N. MOBERLY, Major,
Adjutant, Bombay Volunteer Rifles.

NOTICE.

Burns' Concert.—This Concert will be held in the Town Hall under Scots Company arrangements on Thursday, 25th January. Booking at Messrs. Rose and Co., on and after Saturday, 20th January.

BAND AT THE FREEMAN THOMAS WAR HOSPITAL.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner V.D. and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Railway Volunteers will play a programme of music this evening under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Band Master, commencing at 6.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY RACES.

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MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION.

Mr. Bomanji J. Wadia will deliver a lecture on "The Essence of Civilisation" this evening at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the Union Hall, Chawpatti, (near Wilson College. Sir Stanley Reed, Kt. will preside.

BRAHMA SAMAJ ANNIVERSARY.

In connection with the 87th anniversary of the Brahma Samaj there will be held a special Divine Service at the local Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum, to-day at 6-30 p.m., and will be conducted by Mr. B. B. Korgamkar.

LECTURE ON CITIZENSHIP.

At the request of the Kanara Catholic Association the Rev. Fr. A. Goodier, S.J., will deliver a lecture, to-morrow at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the Hall of St. Xavier's High School, Carnac Road. The subject of the lecture will be "Citizenship".

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

There were four attacks and two deaths from plague on Monday, Tarwadi reporting two attacks and one death, Chowpati one attack and one death and Mandvi one attack. The total mortality from all causes was 79 as against 72 on the corresponding day of last year and 57 on that of 1915.

PARSI GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Ninety-four patients treated at this Hospital during the month of November last, included 42 remaining over from the previous month and 52 newly admitted. Thirty-nine were discharged as cured, six left relieved, two died and 47 remained at the end of the month. The number of free patients was 44.

LECTURE ON IDOLATRY.

A public meeting will be held at the Arya amaj Hall, Kakadwadi, Girgaum, Bombay, this evening at 6 o'clock (B.T.) when Pandit Bapurao Harniker will deliver a lecture on "Idolatry" and thereafter Pandit Balkrishna Sharma will speak on the same subject in Marathi.

LECTURE ON FREE PRIMARY EDUCATION

Under the auspices of the Chandra Seniya Kayastha Prabhu League there will be a public meeting for the cause of Free and Compulsory primary education to-morrow, at 6-30 p.m., in the Bowen Memorial Hall, Y. M. C. A., Lamington Road, Girgaum, when Prof. P. A. Wadia M.A., of the Wilson College will preside.

REPORTED THEFT.

Chotalal Chunibhai, a dealer in precious stones and metals, who has a shop in Mumbadevi Tank Road, has complained to the police that at about 7 a.m. on Monday morning he left one of his shops and went to the other about a dozen paces away; when he returned his mehta informed him that a Ghati had entered the shop and taken away two pieces of gold valued at Rs. 325.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN BOMBAY CRICKETER.

We regret to announce the death of Mr G R. Kirtikar, which took place suddenly from mental hemorrhage yesterday morning. He was a popular figure in the Cricket world in Bombay and elsewhere in India and had the reputation of being possessed with a peculiar presence of mind, which helped to make him a capable Captain in various important matches played in Bombay and elsewhere. He distinguished himself in that capacity in the Aligarh and Oxford matches in Bombay some years ago. In last month he had taken a H[illegible] the northern parts of India, which successful matches. He died at forty-three. He was captain of Gymkhana for several years.

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SURAT PLEADINGS.

"REGRETTABLE PROLIXITY AND IRRELEVANCY."

NANABHAI BHAICHAND & ANOTHER v. TALAKCHAND KALIANCHAND & ANOTHER.

(*Before Justices Batchelor and Heaton.*)

This was a second appeal against the decision of Mr. M. S. Advani, District Judge of Surat, who dismissed the appeal observing that the order of the Subordinate Judge of Surat was correct.

This appeal arose out of an order in Darkhast No. 28 of 1915 of the Court of the First Class Sub-Judge of Surat.

Justice Batchelor in confirming the decree of the Lower Court observed "I wish, however, to take this opportunity of saying that this is by no means the first time on which this Court has had occasion to comment adversely on what is proved to be in this instance the sole cause of the obscurity in the record viz. this regrettable prolixity and irrelevancy Surat Pleadings. The learned Judge who tried this suit began by saying "The plaint is very badly drafted and is so prolix that it is difficult to understand what the plaintiff really wanted. I had therefore to take down Purshingh Ex. 26" It is I think important that parties should understand that if they choose to come into Court not with a succinct account of the real dispute between them but with an involved story told in irrelevant and prolix language they have only themselves to blame if the courts, with all the good will in them, would fail to do justice between them. In my opinion this is really a very important matter in moffusil litigation and I hope the District Judge of Surat and his Subordinate Judges will set their faces strongly against admitting pleadings which are irrelevant or prolix or which do not clearly discharge the main function which pleadings have to discharge viz. the manifestation in plain language of the exact dispute which the parties ask the Court to decide between them."

Mr. M. B. Dave appeared for the appellant.
Mr. T. R. Desai appeared for the respondent.

CALLOUS COLD-BLOODED MURDER OF A GIRL.

SENTENCES OF DEATH CONFIRMED ON APPEAL.

RADHA & PANDU SHANKER v. THE KING-EMPEROR.

(*Before Justices Batchelor and Heaton.*)

This was an appeal against the decision of Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar. The Sessions Judge found the accused guilty of murdering one Dhondi, aged 11 and robbing her of her ornaments worth Rs. 40, and sentenced them to death.

The deceased child Dhondi lived with her parents at Sarola. The two accused who passed off as brother and sister came to Sarola in 1916 in quest of work, lived opposite to the house of Paru, father of Dhondi. Accused No. 2 was a lingayat Wani and had been a servant of the first accused's deceased husband at Inamgam. On the death of the latter, the accused No. 1 who had developed a criminal intimacy with the accused No. 2, to which her husband's relatives took exception, ran away with him to Sarola. On the 18th September Dhondi left her house and never returned. After two days her corpse was found in a well at Walki pointed out by the first accused. The case for the prosecution was that the two accused conspired to rob and murder Dhondi.

The two accused pleaded not guilty to the charge against them. Both the accused denied that Dhondi accompanied either of them to Walki.

SESSIONS JUDGE'S REMARKS.

The Sessions Judge in sentencing the accused observed:—"I see no single mitigating circumstance in this case in favour of either accused. The law may continue to deplore the folly of parents in decking helpless children with ornaments which imperil their lives, but it may not, on that account, palliate the crime or visit the weaknesses of the parents on the victim's head by indulgence to the murderers and their cupidity. This is a callous cold-blooded murder for a few rupees, brazenly carried out in broad daylight within a few paces of a crowded bazaar and not far from a police thana, all of which as far as the murderers were concerned, need not have existed. And that a woman and a mother, like the accused No. 1 should take in it a part not less than that of her lover, would be incredible, if it were not true. But since it is so and since she has so unsexed and unmothered herself her sex and motherhood may not shield her now. Having given the question the best consideration I regret I can discover no such reasons as to mitigate the capital sentence either in her case or that of the accused No. 2."

Their Lordships confirmed the convictions and sentences and dismissed the appeal.

Mr. Moreshwar W. Pradhan appeared for the first accused.

Mr. Virkar appeared for the second accused.

The Government Pleader represented the Crown.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Jan. 23.

The market for jute mill shares to-day showed more inquiry and the prices were a shade better all round. Coal shares ruled easy without much business passing, but Sowardihs in response to a strong demand advanced to 14-8. The following sales took place:—

Coal:—Bengal 890; Burrakur 39, 39-4; Deoghur 12-8; Ghusick 21-8, 21-12; Nazira 20; Parasea 4-12, 4-14; Sowardih 13-12, 14, 14-4, 14-8; Sodeeh 3-12.

Jute:—Auckland (ord) 240, 242; Alliance (ord) 480; Barnagore (ord) 136 to 140; Belvedere (ord) 425; Clive (ord) 167, 168, 166, 170, 171, 175; Dalhousie (ord) 355 to 370; Empire (pref) 122; Fort Gloster (ord) 520; Kamarhatty (ord) 420, 422; Kanknarrah (ord) 555, 558; Lawrence (ord) 352 to 365; Naihati (pref) 115; Northbrook (ord) 37-8, 38, 38-8; Standard (ord) 420, 422; Union (ord) 548.

Tea:—Durrung 61, 62; Longview 199, 200; Phoenix 58; Sirissia 2-4 p.

Government Paper:—3½ per cent. was quoted at Rs. 74-4 to Rs. 74-6 and small lots were done at Rs. 74-10 to Rs. 74-12.

VOLUNTEERING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "CHRONICLE,"

Sir,—What a vast number of letters are appearing in the Local newspapers regarding the War, and what should be done to relieve the strain on the poor soldiers in the trenches. I do hope that all these letters are either written by "old women", or cripples as I am almost certain that anyone calling himself a man and able-bodied at that, would sooner appear in the field than in the papers.

Well thank God there is a rumour to the effect that Government intend bringing out a compulsory Volunteer Service here, and I sincerely hope that we shall see more of soldiering, and read less of it.

Anent volunteering, I would be extremely pleased if you or any of your numerous readers could tell me how many officers of the B. V. R. are doing anything besides supervising back-garden parades. I know for certain that a lot of the N. C. O's and men are at the front, but I have not heard much of the Officers.

I hope at least one or two of these brave men are doing their bit in dead earnest.—Yours, etc.

NAP.

ALLEGED FRAUD IN COTTON TRANSACTION.

FIRST ACCUSED EXONERATED.

Before the Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, notice was issued at the instance of Mathradas Narandas, an employee in the firm of Messrs. Mathradas Goculdas and Company, against Mirzamal Motilal, Manilal and Nanalal, to show cause why a process should not be issued against them for cheating, forgery and abetment in respect of certain cotton bales.

Mr. H. A. H. Payne of Messrs. Payne and Company appeared for the complainant. Mr. M. A. Jinnah and Mr. J. Baptista instructed by Messrs. Edgelow, Gulabchand and Wadia, represented the accused. Mr. Crawford of Messrs. Crawford, Bayley and Co., appeared on behalf of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.

It was stated by the complainant that he was in the service of Messrs. Mathradas Goculdas and Co., who were carrying on business in the name and style of Goculdas Madhowji and Co., and attended their cotton business. The firm had purchased 100 bales of Khamgam-Akola cotton for January delivery from the Japan Cotton Trading Co., and they had received a delivery order from the sellers for the same. The order was addressed to Messrs. Mirzamal Gajanan and signed by Mirzamal Motilal and after passing through several hands it came to the hands of the sellers, who endorsed it over to Goculdas Madhowji and Co. The two firms of Mirzamal Gajanan and Mirzamal Motilal were identical, the owners of both being the same. The firm of Mirzamal Gajanan then tendered 100 bales of cotton to the complainant's employers against the said delivery order. The complainant's employers asked for a survey and the Committee of the Bombay Cotton Trades Association passed the cotton on the samples at an allowance of Rs. 2 per candy. On the 11th instant the complainant went to Colaba to weigh over the cotton from the accused's firm, and when 30 bales had been weighed over he became suspicious as to the description on account of the survey mark, which looked like acid mark on the bales. The complainant thereupon stopped weighing, noted the wagon numbers marked on the bales, went to the Colaba Railway Station and made enquiries when he found that the railway wagons bearing the said numbers, had brought Neemuch cotton from Neemuch about the end of 1916 and that the said cotton had been consigned to Hurnandrai Baijnath. The complainant made enquiries of the last named firm and found that this Neemuch cotton which they had received in December, had been sold by them to the accused's firm. The said 30 bales at present bore marks used in the trade to denote and to distinguish Akola-Khamgam cotton. It appeared that the original marks had been erased by some acid or some other process and false marks put on with a view to passing inferior Neemuch cotton as Khamgam-Akola. The accused had cheated his employers by delivering to them Neemuch cotton which was of inferior quality under the representation that it was Khamgam-Akola cotton. On the evening of the 11th instant Manilal and Nanalal, the 2nd and 3rd accused, who were working on behalf of the first, came to the complainant's office and admitted their offence to Mr. Mathradas Goculdas; they offered to take back the 30 bales and settle the contract for 100 bales by paying the difference prevailing on the 11th instant. Mr. Mathradas refused to listen to them as the offence was non-compoundable and a watchman was kept to guard the 30 bales, which were just outside the accused's godown. Early on the 12th instant the complainant received a telephone message at 5 a.m. from the watchman, and he went to Colaba and saw that the accused's men had opened the godown, the keys of which were with the Hongkong Bank, and were doing something inside. The complainant then approached the representative of the fire insurance company at Colaba, and showed him what the accused's men were doing; he told them to leave the godown, and after closing it kept the watchman to guard it.

After hearing counsel's argument and some evidence the Court held that the first accused had nothing to do with the transaction and discharged the notice as against him. The notice as against the second and third accused was converted into a summons.

In discharging the first accused the Magistrate said that there was no evidence to show that he had been a party to the alleged fraud, and the Court had no hesitation in saying that he left the Court without a stain on his character.

BOGUS MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR.

SENT TO JAIL FOR FIVE MONTHS AND ONE WEEK.

Before the Third Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector Desai charged Joosaf Usman, with impersonating a municipal inspector and cheating seven persons,—Ramasaran Ramrup and six other milkmen.

It was stated that the accused represented himself as a municipal inspector to the complainants who were milkmen and asked them to go with him to the chowki as their pots had no lids. They were, however, allowed to go away on each of them paying one rupee to the accused. The accused was arrested at Kalbadevi while he was inspecting the pots of other milkmen, on information given by Inspector Ganpat Gopal of the Municipality.

The Magistrate sentenced the accused in all to five months' and one week's rigorous imprisonment.

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INDIA AND THE CONFERENCE.

In our brief comment yesterday on the communiqué from Delhi announcing the names of the gentlemen who are to assist the Secretary of State in connection with the forthcoming Imperial War Conference, and, further, that the Maharaja of Bikanir has been selected to represent the Ruling Chiefs, we dealt only with the merits of the announcement in the personal aspect. The appointments, with the exception we have made as regards Sir James Meston, are good. But that does not dispose of the matter. There are considerations to be dealt with of an importance equal to, if not greater than, the personality of those who will represent India's views. In the first place we would like to know what exactly will be the position of Sir S. P. Sinha. Does he go as an official representing the Government of India or is he to be an independent representative of Indian opinion, free to exercise his own judgment and to press his own views? If the latter is the case well and good. If the former, then it is impossible that public opinion in this country can be satisfied with such an arrangement or regard it in any way as carrying out the views and intentions of Lord Hardinge's speech in the Imperial Council in September 1915. We should not have thought it necessary to raise the point were it not that Sir S. P. Sinha has recently accepted the official post of Executive Member of the Bengal Council. It is true that he has not as yet taken up that appointment, but the matter is one nevertheless which it would be well to clear up before he starts on his mission.

Then there is another and equally important consideration. In the telegram from the Secretary of State published last month, announcing that he had been invited to be a member of the Conference and asking for "the assistance of two gentlemen specially selected for the purpose, in consultation with the Viceroy", Mr. Chamberlain added "as foreshadowed in Lord Hardinge's speech in the Legislative Council on September 22nd 1915." It is necessary to point out that the arrangement suggested in Mr. Chamberlain's telegram is not that foreshadowed in Lord Hardinge's speech. Lord Hardinge was speaking on a resolution which asked, not that India should be represented at the Imperial Conferences of the future by the Secretary of State, with or without the assistance in an advisory capacity of two specially selected gentlemen from India, but that *India* should be represented *in* the Conference. And, in the course of his pronouncement, expressing his sympathy and agreement with this demand, he said:—

It is true that India is not a self-governing Dominion but that seems hardly a reason why she should not be suitably represented at future Conferences. If India's size, population, wealth, military resources and lastly her patriotism demand it, no Conference can afford to debate great imperial issues in which India is vitally concerned and at the same time to disregard her. To discuss questions affecting the defence of the Empire without taking India into account would be to ignore the value and interests of the greatest military asset of the Empire outside the United Kingdom. So also in trade to discuss questions affecting commerce within the Empire without regard to India would be disregard England's best customer.

To concede the direct representation of India at future Imperial Conferences does not strike me as a very revolutionary or far-reaching concession to make to Indian public opinion and to India's just claims and I feel confident that if and when this question is placed in its true light before the Governments of self-governing Dominions, they will regard it from that wider angle of vision from which we hope other Indian questions may be viewed in the near future, so that the people of India may be made to feel that they really are in the words of Mr. Asquith, "conscious members of a living partnership all over the world under the same flag."

We have quoted this passage at length, because it shows clearly that Lord Hardinge had in mind and actually expressed something very different from the arrangement made by Mr. Chamberlain. What India wants, and it should be obvious to the meanest mind that nothing else can be regarded as a "direct representation of India," is that her representative should sit *in* the Conference, discuss on equal terms with its other members all the questions arising and have an equal voice in the decision of those questions. Under the arrangement proposed by Mr. Chamberlain there is no representation which can be properly described as such of India. The Secretary of State does not represent India. He represents his Majesty's Government, which is already represented by Mr. Lloyd George, Lords Milner and Curzon and Mr. Bonar Law,—not a very promising combination and not in any way strengthened from the Indian point of view by the addition of Mr. Chamberlain. It is quite certain that Mr. Chamberlain will not go into the Conference to put before the Conference the views laid before him by the Indian representatives but to put his own views, based on his own opinions, modified or not, as the case may be, by the advice given him by the Indian representatives. That is exactly the sort of arrangement which Mr. Lionel Curtis has laid down for the future government of the Empire in his proposed reformed Imperial Government, and it is an arrangement which is thoroughly repugnant to Indian opinion and offensive to Indian self-respect. Unless a non-official representative of India is admitted to the Conference with the full powers accorded to other delegates, opinion in this country will not be satisfied.

It is also necessary to draw attention to the peculiar and significant distinction drawn between the position of the Maharaja of Bikanir and the two other representatives from this country in the language used in the communiqué published yesterday. It may be unintentional but it seems highly significant. Sir S. P. Sinha and Sir James Meston are merely invited to *assist* Mr. Chamberlain. The Maharaja is invited to *accompany* him,—presumably into the Council chamber, whether merely to sit beside him or to join in the discussions and to vote is not explained. But there cannot be any differentiation between the Native States and British India in this respect. And to treat either or both on terms of lesser dignity than the Self-governing Dominions would be worse than to leave India out of consideration altogether. There is plenty of time before the Conference meets to settle these points and to settle them in a generous and statesmanlike spirit. If this course, to which we decline to believe the Self-governing Dominions or the people of the United Kingdom will raise any objection, is not adopted, the dissatisfaction and resentment in this country will be intense. We trust the Government will have the good sense to recognise this.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The food problem which the Belligerent countries have to face has at least had the good effect of bringing home to the public of those countries the importance of developing agriculture and the necessity of constant and vigilant efforts to secure this object. But while the urgency of setting the agricultural house in order is insistent in these countries, it is even more so in India,—a country which is pre-eminently an agricultural one, having no less than two hundred millions of its immense population dependent for their livelihood on agriculture or the industries subsidiary to it. To aid the labour of these million silent toilers and to improve their material condition must be now, more than ever, the task of a Government really solicitous for the material welfare of the country; for if the country is to take her rightful place in the peaceful world competition after the war, it is essential that it should be in a position to point to an organised and developed agricultural industry occupying an honourable place in the economic readjustment. It is true that during the last decade or two the subject of agricultural development has increasingly occupied the attention of the Government and the Agricultural Departments of the various provinces have been able to achieve results in the direction of agricultural research, experiment and instruction, which though not in any degree adequate to the needs of the country, have been highly beneficial.

In the lecture on "Agricultural Development" which he delivered last week at Madras under the presidency of Lord Pentland, Mr. MacKenna emphasised certain considerations which are worthy of notice. Fifty years ago, he said, Indian agriculture based on traditional practice was probably as good as British which was founded on the same. Since then British agriculture has improved enormously as a result of the resources of science being brought to bear on its practice. In this country an attempt in this direction can only be said to have just begun. Agricultural practice in India is still as good as ever, but the researches of science and the application of science to agriculture have revolutionised agricultural practice as well as most other human activities and there is no reason why Indian agriculturists, the aggregate value of whose annual produce amounts to over 1,500 crores of rupees, should not avail themselves of the innumerable benefits which the resources of science provide. But that, if they do not avail themselves of these benefits, whether in the shape, for example, of up-to-date implements or improved methods, the fault does not lie on them, will be apparent to those who have taken care to study the special circumstances of the country. In the first place, in the case of agriculture as on that of almost everything education is the root problem. "The Indian cultivator," Mr. MacKenna said,

"though practically illiterate, is not unintelligent. He has learnt in the school of experience: he is heir to the accumulated practical knowledge of the ages and he has the pride of his calling to support and encourage him. It is through his co-operation that we must look for development. But in the circumstances we can only use him as an agent. It is hard in the nature of things that he should be the originator of any great agricultural improvement. What, however, he will do if he is properly handled is to adopt improved practices if they have been adequately proved and demonstrated and therefore the vital importance of demonstration work in India."

But Mr. MacKenna was constrained to admit "until the masses can be educated up to the stage of the three R's, the raising of the general standard of agriculture must be slow." The extension of primary education is therefore, a crying need in the interests of agriculture as much as of all that goes to make the progress of the country. The value of the work that the Department of Agriculture is doing cannot be denied, but it is evident that very little appreciable effects can be hoped for from its activities if the agriculturists as a class are not in a position to appreciate and take advantage of them.

How inseparable is the relation between education and agriculture was pointedly demonstrated by the Hon. Dewan Bahadur Rajagopalachariar, the ex-Dewan of Travancore, who observed, in the course of discussion on Mr. MacKenna's lecture, that greater success was achieved in Travancore than in British India, because illiteracy in the latter was a great stumbling block in regard to agriculture, hygiene, and a thousand-and-one other matters. If that illiteracy is got over, as he proceeded to point out, there would be a strong impetus to agricultural improvement. Next to education, the most essential thing is that a mutual understanding and friendship should grow up between the officers of the Department and the cultivators. The truth is, to quote Dewan Bahadur Rajagopalachariar again, that no adequate response can be expected from the people in many of the directions, unless the Departmental officers are able to reach them. The great importance from this point of view of having trained Indians as officials of the Department cannot be over-emphasised. The example of Travancore again, shows what good results can be achieved in this way.

Notes of the Day.

National Determination.

It cannot be denied that since the formation of the new Ministry increasing and manifold evidence has been forthcoming of the stimulus to national determination for the vigorous prosecution of the war. The atmosphere, too, as observant critics have remarked, is now charged with greater optimism and confidence. Mr. Hodge's statement, which Reuter cables, unhesitatingly asserting that "an overwhelming majority of Trade Unionists were of opinion that a premature and inconclusive peace would be a greater disaster than the war itself," is a significant side-light on the prevailing mood of Labour. Yet another index of the national temper is afforded by the decision of the War Cabinet authorising Lord Derby to call up all boys attaining the age of 18. This is an extension of conscription which has long been anticipated. The boys, of course, will be trained up and employed on home defence in the first instance, and the rule will be subject to necessary exceptions.

Peace and the "City."

It is noteworthy that Germany's sudden proposal for a discussion of peace terms produced hardly any noticeable effect on the tone of London financial circles,—a sensitive organism, as a rule, responding quickly and strongly to any prospect of change in the international outlook. This, as the London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" points out, is a significant fact. For the slightest prospect of peace in the immediate or near future would be bound to send all the chief markets into a flutter. The explanation is to be found in the determined views on the war which have throughout been prevalent in the City. The German proposal did not make people think that the Government or our Allies would be led into an unsatisfactory peace, nor, on the other hand, did it raise undue hopes of desperate conditions in the Central Powers, for leaders of City opinion are in a better position than most people in the country to judge what those conditions are. Therefore the general attitude in the City was to pass the matter over as not of momentous importance from the business point of view—at any rate, till the terms are public.

The Great and the Small.

It was perhaps inevitable that, sooner or later, the Indian War Loan should come to be bracketed with the not unfamiliar name of Mr. M. de P. Webb. It is a far cry from Karachi to Calcutta, but, nothing daunted, the "Englishman" works itself up to lyrical fervour: "Mr. M. de P. Webb ought to be the proudest man in India to-day"; "the Indian War Loan is essentially his idea,"—and so forth. We feel that Mr. Webb himself must be exonerated from any responsibility for these embarrassing ecstacies. They essentially belong to the Northcliffean tradition of newspaper enterprise: how the "Daily Mail" was the paper that got the men, that created Lord Kitchener, that provided the shells, that got rid of Mr. Asquith, and then reinstated Mr. Asquith, and that, finally, was under the table while the Kaiser dined,—all on the basis of a little intelligent anticipation combined with unlimited brazen-facedness. It is cheering to see India not behind-hand in up-to-date methods.

University Reform.

It is satisfactory that among the resolutions which, according to a Poona telegram, the Hon. Mr Sastri proposes to move at the next meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council, the subject of the scope of the Commission announced by the Viceroy in his convocation address has also been included. The problems of higher education are essentially the same and equally urgent in all parts of the country and there is no reason why the necessity which Lord Chelmsford's Government have admitted of an enquiry, on the lines of that conducted by the London University Commission, as a preliminary to a constructive policy regarding the Calcutta University, should not be similarly recognised in the case of other Universities. As the Commission has not yet been appointed, we trust it is not too late for the Government to accept the logic of the demand that if an enquiry is to be made in regard to the Calcutta University with a view to the initiation of a constructive policy, the application of the principle should be extended to the other four Universities as well.

"Old German Country."

The following extract quoted in the "Vossische Zeitung" in mail week from an article by Prince Zu Salm-Horstmar, who acquired notoriety in Germany by writing a letter to the Emperor urging him to get rid of Bethmann-Hollweg, is instructive as indicating the war aims of a considerable body of Germans:—

For us there is only one choice—to conquer or to be defeated. For if we cannot compel our enemies to give up in our favour any claim to that old German country that has for a relatively short time been called "Belgium," and if at least French Flanders does not fall into our hands, then Germany's downfall is sealed.

It will be further of the highest value to us when we succeed in bringing Russia to the point of yielding to us, in addition to the colonised country which is necessary, also such boundaries as are from a military point of view easy to hold and defend successfully against an advance renewed later by the Muscovites. This territory could be best limited by the extent of the oldest German colonies, which also themselves desire to be reunited to their mother country. May we succeed in liberating, besides Courland, also Livonia and Esthonia.

Official and Personal.

H. H. the Maharajah of Rewa visited his Excellency the Governor at Government House yesterday morning.

Her Excellency held a Committee meeting of the Lady Willingdon Scheme at Government House yesterday.

Nawabzada Taley Mahomed Khan of Palanpur visited his Excellency at the Secretariat yesterday.

Sir John and Lady Marshall, and Major J. E. and Mrs. Hughes lunched at Government House yesterday.

LODGE ST. ANDREWS,

NEW MASTER.

Mr. G. W. Hatch, Collector of Poona, was installed Right Worshipful Master of Lodge, St. Andrews in the East, for the ensuing year, on the 20th instant. The Hon. Justice Beaman, Col. Jennings and several Grand Lodge Officers were present, while about 50 sat down to the banquet that followed, the number including representatives from ten different lodges. The following are the principal officers for the current year:—Rt. Wor. Br. Hatch (Master), Wor. Br. Mama (Deputy Master), Wor. Br. F. H. Dracott (Senior Warden), Wor. Br. Roshid Khambatta (Junior Warden), Rt. Wor. Br. Col. Khambatta (Treasurer). The evening closed after the usual toasts and some musical items by Wor. Bros. Defreece, Fisher and others.

BENGAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

LORD CARMICHAEL ON ASPERSIONS ON JUDGES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Jan. 23.

A meeting of the Bengal Legislative Council was held this morning at the Government House H. E. the Governor presiding. After the interpellations, the President said:—Before proceeding with the business on paper I wish to make a statement. I have found on examining the printed proceedings of the last meeting of this Council that two Hon. members used in their speeches words which appear to me to convey aspersions on the Hon. Judges of the High Court. I regret I did not clearly hear these words at the time they were uttered. Had I done so, I should have called the Hon. members concerned to order. I wish the Council to know this in order that the fact that such words were allowed to pass may not be considered as a precedent.

MADRAS CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

MEMORIAL TO VICEROY FOR REPEAL OF PRESS ACT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

MADRAS Jan. 23.

The Madras Provincial Congress Committee have submitted a memorial to the Viceroy praying that the whole of the Press Law of this country be examined in the large light of Imperial needs and aspirations and that the Indian Press Act of 1910 be brought before the Imperial Legislative Council as early as possible for repeal.

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

POONA, Jan. 23.

Preparations for the 17th session of the Bombay Provincial Conference are proceeding apace. A Reception Committee has been formed with nine gentlemen as secretaries. The fee for membership of the Reception Committee has been fixed at Rs. 5, and the delegation fee at Rs. 3.

In honour of the late Mr. Gulabchand Motichand Damania, the Jain Association of India and the Virchand Karamchand Jain Library were kept closed on Monday last.

MACKENSEN RESUMES OFFENSIVE.

ENVELOPING MOVEMENT IN EAST AFRICA.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

EXTENSION OF PRIMARY EDUCATION.

TRAINING AND PAY OF TEACHERS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, Jan. 22.

At the continued sitting of the Educational Conference Mr. Mayhew said that in the Central Provinces there was no indifference to vernacular education.

Mr. Godley speaking for the Punjab said that vernacular education was liked for its own sake, though there was a strong feeling that it should lead to secondary English education.

Mr. Jennings said in Bihar and Orissa primary education was valued but there were not enough teachers.

Mr. De La Fosse endorsed what Mr. Jennings said with regard to Bihar and Orissa and explained the policy laid down by the Rural Education Committee in the United Provinces. Vernacular education was highly valued and its popularity was increased by the presence of the middle vernacular classes attached to English schools. Also, there were classes where pupils of the above schools might be trained and some of their very best boys came from these schools. In Burma vernacular education was a recognised necessity.

Referring to the second part of the question Mr. Covernton (Bombay) said there would be a considerable amount of questioning and Mr. Mayhew affirmed that such a policy would create a very unfavourable feeling in the Central Provinces. The same view was held by Mr. De La Fosse with regard to the United Provinces

Mr. Cunningham remarked that if they had to take such a step they would have to explain to the public in the first place, why the Government were obliged to do so.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

The second question discussed ran as follows:—Would it be an advantage from the educational standpoint that future grants from Imperial Revenues should be confined to grants-in-aid of primary education to be passed by Provincial Governments to Local Boards and Municipal Councils, while enhanced expenditure on collegiate and secondary education shall be financed from Provincial Revenues?

The majority of the Conference was of opinion that it would be improper to tie down the local governments in the way contemplated.

A good deal of discussion centred round the third question discussed. It ran:—What steps are necessary to achieve the hope expressed by the Government of India in 1913 that the pupils under primary education would in the not distant future be doubled in numbers, should, for instance, local bodies be given the power to impose special cesses for extending primary education? In this case should Imperial grants for primary education be distributed so as to favour local bodies which have shown a desire to tax themselves?

Referring to the first part of the question Mr. Sharp on behalf of the Government of India explained that it was meant to express something more than a pious hope, and indeed when the resolution was drawn up up bearing on this point it was meant to indicate a practical and practicable scheme.

Mr. Hornell who led the discussion said that any stablity in the expansion of primary education was bound up intimately with the founding of district board schools.

In the N.-W. Frontier Provinces according to Mr. Richey, the ideal had very nearly been reached. In Bombay the position was very much as in Bengal. The chief difficulty was the finding of adequate teachers. In Madras money was the chief need.

Slow progress, Mr. Stone explained, was due not to the indifference of local bodies but to their poverty.

At this stage Mr. Hornell and Mr. Covernton (Bombay) remarked that local bodies in their respective provinces were very neglectful as regards primary education, though they showed a tendency to evince a greater solicitude for secondary education. In the Central Provinces the District Councils were extremely keen to spend on vernacular education. In Assam, the Punjab, Bihar and Orissa and the United Provinces the chief need was the finding of money.

Mr. De La Fosse admitted that there had been considerable waste of money due to overlapping and competition between schools, and explained the reforms recently instituted in Burma. It was explained that the question was one of bringing those schools not under recognised system, but under that system. Regarding the question of imposing special cess it was generally held that there could not be any reason why local bodies should not be empowered to levy them, though it was very much doubted whether they would avail themselves of the power.

Mr. Hornell was of opinion that the margin of taxable capacity in the mofussil municipalities of Bengal generally was very narrow. It was also contended by the majority that the inducement that the Government of India would pay a certain proportion of the taxed income would be a very weighty one. Incidentally, it was remarked by two or three Directors that district boards would be more ready than municipalities to take advantage of this new power, the chief reason being that in the former there were revenue officials as members who would have a clear and impartial view of the situation, while their absence was marked in municipalities.

The last question to receive attention at the Conference to-day was whether any

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BATTLE FOR GALATZ.

DETERMINED ATTACK BY ENEMY.

AN IMPASSABLE BARRIER OF MARSHES.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 2 p.m. Jan. 23.

The lull on the Roumainan front was broken by a determined attack by General Mackensen on the Sereth. An impassable barrier was presented by the marshes on the lower portions of the river but twenty-five miles above the confluence with the Danube lies the strongly fortified position and important bridgehead of Fundeni, on the north bank. The Russians, anticipating an attack endeavoured to forestall it some days ago, but did not succeed.

The German capture of Teanesti, forming the part of the advanced bridgehead on the south bank, somewhat weakened the Russian position, but the Germans have not yet crossed the Sereth. Such a crossing would seriously threaten Galatz.

ENEMY OFFENSIVE CHECKED BY RUSSIANS.

ONE STEAMER AND 9 SCHOONERS SUBMARINED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 8 a.m., Jan. 23.

A wireless Russian communiqué says in the direction of Kovel the enemy assumed the offensive and entered our trenches southward of Rudkamirinskaia but our reserves drove the enemy out.

Enemy attempts to advance in the Oituz valley have been arrested.

Our submarines have sunk a steamer and nine schooners in the Bosphorus.

EASTERN SITUATION.

HINDENBURG'S DIFFICULTIES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Jan. 23.

The "Pioneer's" special correspondent cables:—

All accounts now represent the Roumanian situation as much more satisfactory and as still improving. The reports from Petrograd received at Rome, describe the successes near Pralea and at Vadeni as constituting definite defeats of the enemy on either wing. It is added that numerical superiority is now on the side of our Allies. The menace to Galatz has been removed.

According to Reuter's Petrograd correspondent, the enemy's centre is entrenching on the bank of the Sereth. Although the Germans have shortened their line it appears from the Austrian newspapers that they have not been able to reduce the number of troops employed in Roumania. The conquered territory has had to be strongly garrisoned, especially the sea coast against a Russian attack and the number of men required is much in excess of the estimate. It appears that this was made clear at the Vienna Conference where the ways and means in man-power seem to have been discussed. The abnormal drain of the Eastern frontier is a heavy problem for Hindenburg, particularly as the Riga offensive showed that defence lines cannot be left thinly held. Threats at various points have caused constant movements of weary troops and it is said that the railway rolling stock is wearing badly owing to excessive use. Heavy surface pressure or bad weather have weakened ballasting and steel for relaying is scarce.

According to a despatch from a Bulgarian source published in the "Informazione," Hindenburg knows that the time is rapidly approaching when his Eastern front will be tested as never before, and his inability to detach troops has given rise to considerable ill-feeling in Sofia whose repeated appeals for a great offensive against the Allies in Macedonia he has met with silence.

RUSSIA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

PETITION FOR A RADICAL CHANGE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
PETROGRAD, Jan. 22.
Recd. 2 p.m. Jan. 23.

Seventeen highly-placed personages presented a petition in the richest quarters on January 2nd drawing a clear picture of the state of affairs in connection with the recent events and urging a radical change in the attitude towards a number of internal questions.

SUCCESSES IN EAST AFRICA.

ENEMY DISLODGED EAST OF LUPEMBE.

BEING PURSUED TOWARDS MAHENGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 8 a.m., Jan. 23.

An East African communiqué says considerable progress has been made by all the columns engaged in encircling the enemy on the lower Rufigi and Teelta. We entered the delta at Pembamohoro and drove out the enemy southward of Kibambawe.

General Northey's columns have dislodged the enemy eastward of Lupembe and are pursuing him towards Mahenge.

HOME DEFENCE

LADS OF 18 TO BE CALLED UP.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 2-20 p.m. Jan. 23.

The War Cabinet has instructed Lord Derby to call up all lads attaining the age of eighteen and train and employ them for home defence until they reach the age of nineteen, excepting lads apprenticed to a skilled engineering trade and those fully engaged in war work, in shipyard s and munition factories.

WORK ON NEW LINERS SUSPENDED.

LABOUR DEVOTED TO CONSTRUCTION OF CARGO BOATS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 2 p.m. Jan. 23.

"The Times" understands that the work on the new liners in a number of shipyards has been suspended and the labour devoted to construction of cargo boats.

MUNITION FACTORY EXPLOSION.

A MOST SEARCHING ENQUIRY BEING MADE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 8 a.m., Jan. 23.

Dr. Addison (Minister of Munitions) speaking at Mansion House said a most searching enquiry was being made into the cause of the explosion, and any suggestions to prevent recurrence would be fearlessly adopted. He emphasised that there was no occasion for alarm apart from the risk of fire to which most explosions hitherto had been due. Shells were harmless.

Dr. Addison stated he required four thousand additional women munition workers a month.

ROYAL GIFTS TO THE SUFFERERS.

THE KING'S SOLICITUDE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan 22.
Recd. 3-30 p.m. Jan. 23.

It is officially announced that the King has contributed £250, the Queen £100 and Queen Alexandra £100 for the relief of the sufferers from the explosion. The King has made special inquiries at the hospitals as to the condition of the injured and Queen Alexandra has sent a message of sympathy.

U. S. SENATE.

PRESIDENT WILSON TO SPEAK ON FOREIGN RELATIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 2-20 p.m. Jan. 23.

President Wilson will address the Senate to-day on foreign relations.

GERMAN ATTACKS ON MEUSE.

BROKEN BY FRENCH ARTILLERY.

WHOLE FRONT INTACT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 8 a.m., Jan. 23.

A French communiqué says after violent bombardment the Germans last night attacked north of the Carrieres Wood on the right bank of the Meuse. Our artillery and machinegun fire twice broke the attacks, and we held the whole of our front.

There was active artillery work at night in the Perper Hill sector.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 23.
Recd. 3-30 p.m. Jan. 23.

Last night's French communiqué said on the right of the Meuse there was very violent artillery activity in the sectors of Douaumont and Caurieres Wood and in the Vosges in the region of Chapelotte.

WHY CONSTANTINE YIELDED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Jan. 23.

A "Pioneer" cable says:—

The Anglo-Hellenic League tells Reufer that King Constantine yielded to the Allies' ultimatum only after being assured that the Greek people would refuse to fight against the protecting Powers, but the realisation that Germany is unable to carry out her promises had considerable weight.

The Exchange correspondent at Copenhagen mentions reports from Sofia and Constantinople that no more letters or wireless messages are expected at either place from Athens and adds it is supposed that the Allies are seizing all the Greek post offices.

Reuter's Athens correspondent says the rowdy elements have bowed to the King's decision and apparently accepted the situation with good grace.

PUNJABI DOUBLE COMPANY.

MEETING AT FEROZPUR.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
FEROZPUR Jan. 22.

Under the presidency of Mr. Clarke, Deputy Commissioner, the educated community of Ferozpur City and Cantonment, held a meeting for raising a double company from amongst the educated classes of the Punjab. Short speeches were made supporting the movement. On appeal for funds being made about Rs. 5,000 donation and Rs. 70 as monthly contribution were promised on the spot. Two undergraduates offered themselves and enlisted.

RAILWAY TRAVEL AMENITIES.

INDIAN BARRISTER MOLESTED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA. Jan. 23.

The case brought by Mr. C. R. Das Bar-at-Law, Calcutta against Mr. Wardington, European assistant of the Kanison Jute Mills at Howrah on the charge of molestion has ended. It appeared hat while Mr. Das was proceeding to Dacca the accused and other Europeans began taunting him and finally laid hands on him. Mr. Das pulled the alarm chain and made over the accused to the police. The accused offered an apology which was accepted by Mr. Das.

LORD ROBERT CECIL ON THE BLOCKADE

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, Jan. 23.

The Viceroy's war telegram from the Secretary of State, dated the 20th January, says:—

Lord Robert Cecil in an interview with a French News Agency regarding the blockade, said:—We had undoubted right to use our sea power to cut off supplies from the enemy and we mean to exercise it to the utmost. Germany has been reduced to commandeering all available domestic supplies of copper, to substitute a very dubious value for rubber and to introduce tickets for food and clothing. The ration allowed to each German, is supposed to include half a pound of meat weekly, few thimblefuls of butter and an egg every fortnight, and even this is frequently not forthcoming. Bread is very bad in quality and very scarce in quantity. The potato crop has largely failed and the hopes the German people had founded on it, have been largely disappointed. The situation in Austria is even worse.

FIGHTING ROUND ARRAS.

UNSUCCESSFUL ENEMY RAIDS.

MANY PRISONERS TAKEN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan 22.
Recd. 3-30 p.m. Jan. 23.

Field-Marshal Haig in to-night's communqué says the enemy's attempted raids northward of Arras and north-eastward of the Proegsteert Wood were unsuccessful. We secured prisoners as a result of the encounters in the neighbourhoods of Grandcourt, Neville Steaast, Fauquissart and Wyyschaete. Our heavy artillery caused explosion in lines opposite Arras.

SUCCESSFUL BRITISH RAIDS.

NEW POSITIONS OCCUPIED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LAHORE, Jan. 22

A "Civil and Military Gazette" special cable says:—

Reuter's Paris correspondent state that the military authorities at Hazebrouck have prohibited the sale of alcohol in the area occupied by the British.

BRITISH AIR RAID IN MESOPOTAMIA.

ENEMY MUNITION FACTORY BOMBED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 0-50 a.m., Jan. 24.

A Mesopotamia official communiqué says:—Our aeroplanes dropped six 100 lbs. bombs on an enemy munition factory.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN AUSTRIA.

FORTY PERSONS KILLED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
AMSTERDAM, Jan. 22.
Recd. 0-50 a.m., Jan. 24.

A landslide cut in two a mail train proceeding from Trieste to Vienna and a rescue train collided with the debris. Forty persons were killed.

HONGKONG'S WAR CONTRIBUTION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Jan. 22.
Recd. 0-50 a.m., Jan. 24.

Mr. Walter Long gratefully acknowledges the contribution of five million dollars from Hongkong for war purposes, paid partly from revenue and partly from the proceeds of a local loan of three million dollars.

TRAINING OF WOMEN TEACHERS.

THIRD YEAR CLASS OPENED BY POONA SEVA SADAN.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
POONA, Jan. 23.

For the last three years the Poona Seva Sadan had been training women for the teacher's profession with good results. The last year's results were so encouraging that the institution thought of developing that branch of its work into a full fledged training college for women. The necessary permission for doing so was obtained from the Education Department and the interesting function of opening the third year class took place this morning under Mrs. Ranade's presidentship.

Mr. Devadhar, the General Secretary, traced the growth of the work year by year, and in this connection specially mentioned the help received from the Wadia charities. He also spoke of the help rendered by the Education Department and gave expression to the institution's grief at the sad death of Mr. Sharp who had assured him of greater support from the Government in the matter of building and other things. Mr. Devadhar appealed to the would-be teachers to help the country's cause by devoting themselves to the spread of literacy among the Indian people. Over 50 ladies, mostly widows, are undergoing training in the Seva Sadan Training College.

ACCIDENT ON NIZAM'S RAILWAY.

TWO CARRIAGES SMASHED.

SEVERAL PASSENGERS INJURED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
SECUNDERABAD, Jan. 23.

Information is just to hand that the No. 5 up passenger train which left Secunderabad at about 2 p.m. this afternoon, met with an accident near Nagalpalle Station. The engine capsized and two carriages were smashed and several passengers injured. The driver and oilman are safe, but the fireman is seriously injured.

A relief special conveying medical aid and the principal railway officials left at 6 p.m. for the scene. The mail is detained at Shankarapalli and a passenger train left Secunderabad to bring in the passengers and mails and the injured passengers of the wrecked train.

IMPERIAL WAR CONFERENCE.

PRESS COMMENTS ON INDIA'S REPRESENTATION.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Jan. 23.

The "Pioneer" commenting on the selection of Indian representation in the War conference says:—It would be difficult to imagine a better selection. Sir S. P. Sinha stands out head and shoulders above men who profess to be the political leaders of India. The Ruling Princes of India could assuredly have no worthier representative. The Maharaja of Bikaner is not only a charming personality, who enjoys the esteem and friendship of the King-Emperor, but he is at the same time one of the most capable administrators in the country to-day; in a word a man whose advice is bound to carry weight. Of Sir James Meston, it will be generally recognised that few men are better qualified to speak for India on such of the problems likely to come up before the War Conference as she is interested in, than he who proved himself to be one of best Financial Secretaries the Government of India has ever possessed.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 23.

Commenting on the selection of India's representatives on the War Conference the "Empire" says:—"These are men who should receive confidence from every section of the public in India. Sir James Meston has proved himself to be an administrator of courage, ability and foresight above the average. His knowledge of the financial problems of India will be of the greatest value in arranging the monetery assistance India is to give to the Imperial Government. Sir S. P. Sinha should be acceptable to both Indians and Europeans. His record is one of good work both for his own people and for Government. He is in the Congress party but not of it. He should be able to put forward India's d sires with that touch of reserve which is far more effective than the blusterous bellowings of the majority of the Congress.

The "Amrita Bazar Patrika" writes:—"The three Indian members selected for the Imperial War Council are good in their own way, but it should be remembered that they are representative of Official and not Indian India. However, needless to say that if they can fairly protect the intersts of the people of this country they will be entitled to their gratitude and we wish them every success."

The "Bengalee" writes:—"The Maharaja of Bikaner is a ruler of Marwaris whose aptitude for commercial business is well known all over India. To a remarkably clear enunciation is added the gift of eloquence, while His Highness' patriotism is genuine. Sir S. P. Sinha is a man of great tact and judgment. He knows fully well what the better mind of India wants and his countrymen rely with confidence upon his great ability and unquestioned patriotism to secure for them reforms which will give them their legitimate place as a component unit of the Empire. Sir James Meston has seen both the Congress and the Moslem League for himself, and he has now first hand knowledge of the aspirations and fixed and unalterable ambition of educated India. These three representatives of India have been charged with a grave and weighty responsibility. It will be for them to discharge their trust that that may win the approbation and gratitude of all India."

LUCKNOW, Jan. 23.

Commenting on the selection of India's representation in the War Conference the "Indian Daily Telegraph" says:—The announcement of India's representatives to the War Cabinet will be received with dismay in view of the revelations of the activities of the Round Table group headed by Mr. Curtis. It adds:—"It must be obvious that so long as this propaganda continues under official auspices, the suspicion will be deepened that India's place in the Empire is about to be lowered instead of her being placed more in a line with the self-governing colonies. It is unfortunate that at a time when it was intended to do India honour the idea should get abroad that her undoubted claims to recognition as a partner in the Empire are about to be definitely lowered."

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INDUSTRIES COMMISSION.

BANKING FACILITIES.

(From our Correspondent.)

MADRAS, Jan. 23.

At to-day's sitting of the Industries Commission, Mr. W. A. Beardsell's evidence was chiefly concerned with the prospects of the glass industry in Madras.

To Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya witness said that a glass factory in Bengal could be a successful venture, coal being cheaper there than anywhere else in India.

Mr. A. Ghose, mine-owner and economic geologist, Gooty, said that if more banking facilities were afforded there would be more mining concerns started in this country by Indians. If protected from foreign competition diamond mining would thrive in India.

EMIGRATION AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

Mr Ian Scott Mackenzie, General Manager, South India Industrials, Ltd was then examined.

Pandit Malaviya asked whether the apathy of Indians towards industry would vanish if an information bureau be established to disseminate information regarding industries and if government afforded banking facilities to Indian Industrial enterprises. Witness said it was exactly true.

Witness further suggested that at any rate all Presidency Banks should have an industrial side supported by Government and worked in conjunction with the local department of Industries.

In the opinion of Mr. Mackenzie the evil results of emigration should not be overlooked if the industrial development of India was to make rapid progress.

Rai Bahadur Thyagraja Chettiyar in the course of his evidence said that difficulties in the way of establishing manufacturing industries in the presidency were financial, scientific and technical, not to speak of the apathy of the public and Government towards matters industrial generally and banking firms and private capitalists would not generally advance money for the starting of any industrial concerns or for the extension and improvement of any existing ones.

To Pandit Malaviya witness said, that not only should a Presidency Industrial Bank be opened but branch banks should also be opened in all industrial centres. Large industries should be financed by banks while minor industries should get assistance from co-operative banks.

FUTURE OF STEEL INDUSTRY.

MADRAS, Jan. 23.

This morning the members of the Indian Industrial Commission visited the Buckingham and Carnatic Cotton Mills.

The first witness examined to-day was Sir Francis Spring, Chairman of the Port Trust Board.

As regards the question of extension of primary education so as to improve the quality of workmen in this country he thought that primary education meant learning to read and write in the vernacular. As in the vernacular there was no literature that was worth anything in the direction of technical industry he did not know what good would result in the way of improving the efficiency of workmen by extending reading and writing in the vernacular. For education of that kind to be of any value in industrial work there must be an output of cheap literature. Such cheap literature in the vernacular was now non-existent.

Sir Rajendranath Mookerjee pointed out that in Bengal there were books in the vernacular on scientific and medical subjects.

To Sir Rajendranath witness said that he knew that since the war Tata's steel compared favourably in quality with imported steel and was also slightly cheaper in prices. Sir Rajendra asked Sir Francis Spring what he thought would be the conditions under which steel would be imported here after the war in view of the present popularity of Tata's steel. Witness said that that was a big fiscal question, but personally he would go so far as to help Tata's steel by putting protective tariff not only against enemy steel, but also all steel.

PENCIL AND CEMENT INDUSTRIES.

The Hon. Rao Bahadur K. Suryanarayanamurti Naidu, merchant, Cocanaa, was next examined. In course of his evidence witness said he found great difficulty in raising capital to float a pencil factory in Cocanada. The necessary machinery was bought and the factory was even started but after working for a year or so the factory had to be closed as the experiments proved a failure and expert advice could not be secured. The factory was handed over afterwards to Government as the Director of Industries proposed to conduct experiments on behalf of the Government. The result of his experiments was not yet known although fairly good marketable pencils were produced. To divert capital to industrial undertakings the Government should establish industrial schools in all trading centres and also to form an industrial section to the course of education in secondary schools to stimulate industrial progress.

Mr. K. Suryanarayana Rao, rice mill owner and machinery and mill store merowner and machinery and mill store merchant, Madras said that certain place in the Presidency of Madras were exactly suited for the location of a factory to manufacture cement by abundance. Witness and some others made efforts to start a cement factory in 1900 at Bezwada, but had to give up the undertaking for want of expert guidance and advice. In the whole Presidency there was only one cement factory and foreign imported product to annual value of about 15 lakhs of rupees was consumed in the Presidency alone. It was desirable that the Director of Industries and Government experts should be Indians as far as practicable to facilitate easy exchange of views and intercourse with their countrymen.

† The Commission rose for the day.

RACING NOTES.

BOMBAY EIGHTH EXTRA.

First race to be Started at ten past three.

The Newmarket Plate.—Vidi's last performance in Poona was to beat Royal Ambition easily over a mile and a quarter at a difference of a stone and a half. Whether this entitles him to such a good chance as the general talk makes out, it is hard to say but that he must run well, seeing that he is doing all that can be expected of him in his work on the track, goes without saying and he seems to be a pretty safe investment for place money. We must not forget that Carpentia, for one, ran a fair third in the Criterion and though she made no further appearance at the monsoon resort, there are some who have watched her recent spins and consider that she is next door to a "good thing" for this afternoon. Then again, it is never safe to relegate a horse to the not likely division on one disappointing essay and, as we have reason to believe that Kings Head experienced a very unsatisfactory run and was badly "shut in" at the bend when so well-fancied last Saturday, it would not do to pass him over too lightly. While even Madrina must still call for at least a hedge in spite of all the recent disappointments vouchsafed by her to those that will have it that she can stay very much better than in the old days.

The Kempton Plate: From what one can gather Anthracite, who was only just beaten by Waynflete at the end of last Poona season, is much fancied in spite of the poor show he made against his old opponent when they met again on the 20th. Tollendal has won in Calcutta and is expected to run well. Fine Trout sprinted promisingly for about five furlongs in a longer race and Margreen has put up smart time and Kinsale who was scratched on Saturday in favour of Wayanflete who won, is known to be a good horse and fairly well forward in condition.

The Queensland Plate.—Lucky Thought catches the eye as most likely but Impecunious is galloping in most useful form and should certainly place if indeed he does no better.

The Bellasis Plate.—Black Hussar is to be well-supported by those who know all about him, but Kaiumers won so comfortably the last time he ran, that he calls for great respect. Black Ivory is also well-quoted and Welcome must have more than an outside chance.

The Lamington Plate.—Hidalgo is liked and so of course is Hurchan but Red Cross keeps on improving and on the principal of following up a horse who is in that mood, many will probably plump for him on quite reasonable grounds.

The Bushire Plates being framed on weight for Age conditions, must of course call for the same hot favourites as on the last occasion. Four Aces for the one and Niger, who was badly left, for the other. The Ally, Nevada and Contest are placing likelihoods in the one and Natal, Argonaut and Bhookri in the other. The last named is quoted as having a fluky chance of winning and it is said also that White Pearl is only a very few lbs. behind his stable companion Four Aces when in the mood to gallop.

A STUDENT CONVICTED OF SEDITION

"SWADHIN BHARAT" LEAFLET PASTED IN SCHOOL ROOM.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Jan. 23.

At the High Court to-day before Justices Teunon and Chaudhuri an application for admission of an appeal was made on behalf of Ramani Mohun Chowdhury, a second-year student of Berhampore College, who was convicted by the District Magistrate of Murshidabad of sedition and sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment.

The allegation against the petitioner was that he was found inside a room of the L. M. S. school at Murshidabad where a copy of a highly seditious leaflet "Swadhin Bharat" was pasted on a blackboard. The servants of the school deposed that on the night of the 17th September last they found a young man going out of the school premises. They thought the man was a thief and was going away with some school books. They searched the almirahs where books were kept and the rooms of the school. In one of the rooms they found the accused sitting and arrested him. In that room the copy of a seditious leaflet was pasted on the blackboard.

The defence was that the young man had gone out for a bottle of soda water and was on the road when the servants of the school, after raising a hue and cry, arrested him mistaking him for the man who had run away from the school the same night.

The Magistrate disbelieving the defence story, convicted the petitioner.

Their Lordships rejected the application.

ANGLO-INDIAN HOSTEL

The Anglo-Indian Empire League have pledged themselves to raise Rs. 7,000 within the next three months in order to complete Rs. 50,000 for the Anglo-Indian Collegiate Hostel Building Fund at Allahabad.

The Local Branch have undertaken to raise Rs. 2,000 and have already been promised Rs. 400. An appeal is being made to the public and Anglo-Indians in particular to help raise the money. Twenty-five boys are at present lodged in a rented house. The new building must be ready by 15th July, 1917. All donations will be gratefully received by G. W. Dudley, Honorary Secretary, Bombay Branch, 113, Esplanade Road.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

(Continued from page 7.)

class of education could receive substantial development in any other way than spending Government money. All the Directors except Mr. Hornell were of opinion that as the fees were raised only lately they could not try to increase them still further, Mr. Mayhew in particular wondering whether even the last increment had not unjustly encroached upon certain of the necessities of student life. Mr. Hornell while agreeing with others that they could not raise the fees in the primary department, was strongly of opinion that as education was bound to increase in cost barring the alternative of the Government taking upon itself an increased share of the burden of cost, there was no other go but that of raising the fees.

At this stage the Conference rose for the day. It will reasemble to-morrow, when the discussion will centre round the question of pay and prospects of teachers.

THE LATE MR. SHARP.

The Directors' Conference reassembled here this morning at 11 a.m., under the presidency of Sir Sankaran Nair. Before the Conference proceeded with the work of the day Sir Edward Maclagan proposed a resolution expressing the deep regret of the Conference at the death of Mr. W. H. Sharp, Director of Public Instruction Bombay. In doing so he paid a deep tribute to the work of Mr. Sharp successively as Professor, Principal and Director. Sir Edward had seen his Excellency the Viceroy this morning and he had also wished that his deep regret at the death of Mr. Sharp should be communicated to the Conference. The resolution was accordingly passed and communicated to Bombay Government and Mrs. Sharp.

TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

The subject of to-day's discussion was the training and pay of teachers. As it was felt that in spite of improvements made of late years there were still only a little over a quarter of the number of teachers in schools of all kinds in India who had received training; the first question to be discussed was the extent to which they might look to be able to get all teachers trained in reasonable time.

Mr. Hornell believed that the most important thing in Bengal to secure this end was the improvement of the pay and prospects of teachers. There was no need for starting any new colleges but it was essential to improve the existing training colleges of Calcutta and Dacca.

Mr. Richie said that there was no difficulty in getting trained hands in the N.-W. F. Province. Generally speaking he would not aim at having more than two-thirds of teachers as trained men.

Mr. Covernton said in Bombay there was only one college for training men for secondary schools and the annual output for it was sufficient till now to replace half the untrained men by trained men, but it catered mostly for Government schools, as aided institutions did not take any appreciable advantage of its presence. The system they were trying at Poona was but a makeshift one. Men trained for primary education were quite sufficient in number. The Muslims required separate training schools as the curriculum in exclusive Muslim schools was different from others.

In Madras it was estimated by Mr. Stone that the supply, wastage and extension of trained men would require an annual expenditure of seven lakhs. In fact his only problem was that of getting money. Men trained out of elementary training schools have proved eminently satisfactory. As for the period of training, he said they had decided to raise the period in the case of men for secondary schools from one to two years and it was impossible to alter this period.

In the C. P. Mr. Mayhew had already made arrangements for doubling the number of trained teachers for primary schools and in the case of secondary schools if only Government institutions were taken into consideration they could double the number of trained men in ten years. In the Punjab they were supplying wastage and increase.

In Bihar and Orissa they had one training college for secondary schools but they would require more. Mr. Jennings incidentally remarked that even while men were undergoing training they were getting their usual pay. With regard to primary trained men their position was very good. In U. P. primary training was sufficient but they required three more normal schools.

SALARIES OF PRIMARY TEACHERS.

The next aspects that were discussed related to difficulties if any in getting candidates for teachers with particular reference to the adequacy of their present pay and inducements, if any, required to make teachers undergo training either in ordinary or special courses.

With reference to Bengal Mr. Hornell said the pay was very poor, so much so, it was not unusual to find even headmasters of certain schools very young men.

In Bombay considering the supply of trained men for primary schools, Mr. Covernton was of opinion that the pay and prospect was sufficient though as they would raise the pay of untrained men in view of the increase in the rise of cost of living they would have also to raise the pay of trained men. He suggested the institution of a provident fund.

In Madras Mr. Stone wished they could consolidate the profession of teaching. He would restrict the benefits of provident fund to trained men.

In C. P. the difficulty was in the smallness of initial pay as there has been no rise in proportion to the rise in prices.

In Assam the chief difficulty has been the lack of qualified men. Mr. Cunningham said to get men from Bengal, was considered politically disadvantageous.

In the Punjab they had already raised the pay and before they raised it further they would have to consult the managers of aided institutions also, as the latter found it impossible to keep pace with Government institutions. In the U. P. the chief difficulty was with regard to funds. In Burma it appeared to Mr. Covernton that the teaching profession as such did not appeal to the Burmans.

There was only a very slight discussion as to the extent to which the Government would be justified in providing training primarily for its own schools in preference to those which were of outside bodies. On the question whether any substantial improvement was required in the system of training, it was held by Mr. Hornell that he would like to see in the new universities at any rate a separate department of teaching.

Mr. Stone held that the present method in Madras had proved quite satisfactory.

IMPERIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MR. SASTRI TO PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO UNIVERSITIES ACT.

(Associated Press.)

POONA, Jan. 23.

It is understood that in the forthcoming session of the Imperial Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. Srinivasa Sastri is going to move a series of resolutions proposing a number of amendments to the Indian Universities Act 1904. So far as can be ascertained at present some of his proposals are briefly these:—

The maximum number of ordinary fellows of the Punjab and Allahabad Universities should be one hundred, of whom 40 to be elected by registered graduates, 26 by the Faculties and remainder to be nominated by the Chancellor.

No fee other than the inital one prescribed by regulations be demanded of a graduate applying for registration at whatever time he may make such application.

The election of ordinary fellows should not be subject to the Chancellor's approval.

The decisions of the Senate regarding affiliation or disaffiliation of a college shall take effect unless vetoed by the Government within one month for special reasons to be recorded in writing.

The Act of Incorporation of Universities be so amended that the Vice-Chancellor shall be elected by the Senate.

A conscience clause should be introduced in the education codes of the Provinces.

The scope of the Commission announced by the Viceroy in his Convocation address at Calcutta be extended so as to include the other four universities also.

Wit a view to make local self-government more real and effective Mr. Sastri proposes that wherever possible local bodies be made wholly elective and that their presidents or chairmen be elected non-officials.

PLEADER CHARGED WITH MAKING FALSE STATEMENT.

JUDGES REPRIMAND THE ACCUSED.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Jan. 22.

At the High Court to-day the Chief Justice and Justices Seshagiri Iyer and Kumarswamisastri dispose of a case under the Legal Practitioner Act in which T. S. Rama Sastri, pleader, was charged with having made false statement before the District Magistrate of Ganjam. The facts briefly are that on the 25th July last the pleader appeared before the District Magistrate and told him that he had come to argue an appeal which had been filed on the 14th July before the Deputy Collector of Chatrapura. The Magistrate finding no papers on his file connected with the appeal asked the pleader if he had received any notice about the date of hearing of the appeal. The pleader said that he did; but the Magistrate later on discovered that the pleader's statement to be false and that it was made with a view to revive an appeal which had become barred and issued notice to the pleader under the Legal Practitioners' Act and eventually after hearing the notice on the 28th September framed charges against the pleader. The Magistrate's finding was forwarded to the High Court through the District Judge who also examined the pleader and agreed with the District Magistrate that the pleader's statement was false.

Their Lordships were of opinion that the pleader's statement about the notice of appeal was false but considering that he was a young man and inexperienced would content themselves with reprimanding him.

MADRAS HIGH COURT BENCH.

CLAIMS OF INDIAN BARRISTERS.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Jan. 22.

The Madras Bar Association has sent the following cable to the Secretary of State for India:—The Madras Bar Association protests against the Madras Congress Committee's cable proposing to reserve one-third High Court Judgeships to non-Barrister Indians as it ignores the just claims of Indian Barristers who from quite a large competent body. Since 1865 only one Indian Barrister has been appointed to the Madras High Court.

Mr. Alban G. Widgery, Professor of Philosophy and Comparative Study of Religions, Baroda College, will deliver a series of public lectures on "Religions and Their Modern Tendencies," in the College Hall. The first lecture will be on "The Religion of the Jews"; the second on "The Religion of the Parsis"; the third on the "Religion of the Muslims"; the fourth on the "Religion of the Christians"; and the fifth lecture will be devoted to comparisons and conclusions. The dates are January 25, February 1, February 8, February 15 and February 22 respectively.

MUNICIPAL FINANCE.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In my experience of municipal affairs, now extending over 29 years, I have almost invariably found that even when a Municipal Commissioner is constrained to admit the justice of the criticism made by a Councillor, as Mr. Monie was obliged to justify my own, in his speech on Monday last, on my observations on the growth of recurring expenditure at a ratio double that of revenue, he is prone to divert the attention of the Corporation from the real point at issue by reference to other matters not relevant to it. Mr. Monie proved no exception in this respect in his last Monday's speech. While admitting the correctness of my criticism, he straightway began discussing certain items of recurring expenditure which had shown a larger growth. None deny the existence of that growth. Neither was there any special reason for an explanation. It was writ large on the face of the budget estimates. But the point at issue was this only: whether, it was right and proper in the interests of sound municipal finance to allow recurring annual expenditure to mount up at a ratio which was double the rate of the growth of revenue. For the last three years, the Chief Accountant has been persistently drawing the attention of the Commissioner to this fact in his annual report, and the Standing Committee in their turn have echoed the same in their report. In last year's report the Chief Accountant *specifically* pointed out that whereas the growth in recent years of permanent revenue amounted to 2¼ lakhs, that of permanent expenditure was 4½ lakhs! I deem such a condition of civic finance as unsound, never mind the reasons of the larger expenditure. The reasons may be justifiable. But then those responsible for the framing of the annual budget ought to have borne carefully in mind the note of warning given by the Chief Accountant. The framers of the budget should have, under the circumstances, done one of two things. Either they ought to have found ways and means of increasing the permanent revenue by another 2¼ lakhs so as to balance the annual growth of 4½ lakhs of recurring expenditure or called upon the various heads of departments to curtail the expenditure by 2¼ lakhs. In this way there should have been brought an equilibrium in the budget. That was the only procedure which sound finance would dictate. Instead, the framers deliberately presented a deficit budget, leaving it to be met either by some fortuitous items or windfalls in revenue or by lapsed grants and savings, or by dipping their fingers in the fat surplus cash balances. This surplus is simply the accumulation of excess taxation imposed on the ratepayers for which there was no need. The Commissioner owned to this soft impeachment in his speech. So that, instead of carefully estimating the annual revenue and expenditure and bringing about an equilibrium in the budget, they have fallen into the vicious practice of underestimating revenue, ("cautiously" as they pretend to say), overrating expenditure, and eventually educing a large surplus. It is simply financial jugglery but in no way sound finance. But the policy of framing the annual budget on a sound principle has been cast to the winds while mounting up expenditure, relying on the fat cash balances which any day may be swept off as they have been in years gone by. Mr. Monie only performed on Monday last an arithmetical legerdemain, and in the bargain attempted to give the Corporation the reasons of the larger growth, entirely giving the go-bye, in spite of admitting the justice of my criticism, to the principle I had advocated. The main issue was brushed aside and he diverted the attention of the Corporation from it by reference to matters which, whatever their other merits may be, were in no way relevant. Indeed, it was the old old game of throwing a red herring across the trail of the real point. Of all sophistries, sophistries in finance, be they local or provincial or imperial, are the worst, and it should be the duty of the unofficial watch dogs of finance to expose them, whenever indulged in.—Yours, etc.

D. E. WACHA.

23rd January, 1917.

THE BANDMAN COMRDY COMPANY.

"ESMERALDA."

"Esmeralda" which will be staged this evening at the Excelsior by the Bandman Comedy Company was originally produced in London by Sir John Hare and his association with the play is sufficient proof that it is a true and legitimate comedy. Sir John Hare played the part of "Rogers", in which part we shall see Mr. Corson Clarke this evening. We have already seen Mr. Clarke in a wide variety of parts, and it will be interesting to see what he does with a "Hare" part, in this case a sympathetic old man full of character.

The original London cast of "Esmeralda" positively bristles with famous names, not the least amongst which are those of Mr. and Mrs. Kendal, who played "Estabrook" and "Nora Desmond," respectively, and it is needless to say that these characters are responsible for much of the light comedy of the piece.

"Esmeralda" is from the joint pens of Frances Hodgson Burnett and William Gillette. Frances Hodgson Burnett will be remembered for her "Little Lord Fauntleroy," which play has been translated into nearly every language in the world, and William Gillette won fame, so far as Great Britain is concerned, with his masterly dramatisation of "Sherlock Holmes." So with The Bandman Comedy Company playing parts originally created by the most brilliant lights of the profession, in a play written by authors whose names are household words, the patrons of the Excelsior this evening should find themselves in good company.

THE IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

QUESTION OF MR. SAMSON'S PAY DURING SUSPENSION PERIOD.

A meeting to the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. P. Orr presiding.

The Board considered a letter from the Solicitors of the Improvement Trust regarding repayments due to Mr. D. J. Samson, who had lately been employed as an assistant land manager. Under the Civil Service Regulations Mr. Samson, said the legal advisers was entitled to have his full pay for the period of his suspension. The Hon. Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoolah said he was not satisfied with the opinion of the Solicitors. Some of the other members wished to have an opportunity of seeing the Solicitors' opinion and the matter was adjourned till the next meeting.

Y. M. C. A. PROCTER BRANCH.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The following are the draws in the first round of the Singles Handicap of the Branch Tournament which will commence to-morrow:—

1. O'Neil minus 10 v. Shaller plus 10.
2. Buchanan plus 10 v. Horseley plus 7.
3. O'Leary minus 6 v. Downes scratch.
4. Hankins plus 7 v. Wilcox plus 5.
5. Chard scratch v. Fretell plus 10.
6. Brown minus 12 v. Perkins plus 5.
7. Peake minus 10 v. Modder plus 7.
8. Wilshaw plus 10 v. Hinds plus 5.

DOUBLES (HANDICAP).

1. Peake and Shaller scratch Bye.
2. Brown and Wilcox minus 5 Bye.
3. O'Leary and Wilshaw plus 5 Bye.
4. O'Neill and Horseley minus 5; Hinds and Downes plus 5.
5. Perkins and Hankins plus 3 Bye.
6. Hellein and Modder plus 5 Bye.
7. Rodrigues and Fratell plus 6 Bye.
8. Chard and Buchanan plus 3 Bye.

The open Tournament for the Procter Branch Challenge Cup will commence on 5th March, entries closing on 24th February. This event is open to Y. M. C. A. members and European residents of Bombay. The present holder of the cup is R. J. Plunkett. Applications for entry form with conditions should be addressed to the Secretary, Procter Branch, Y. M. C. A., Rebsch Street, Byculla.

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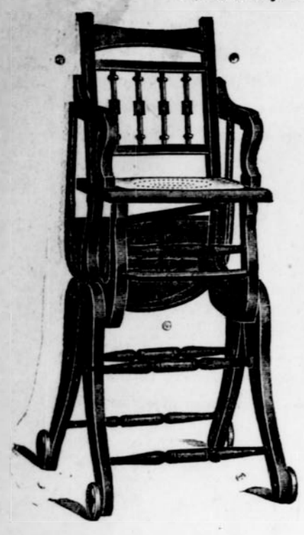

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REORGANISATION SCHEME.

Important proposals for the reorganisation of the Government services concerned with the promotion of British trade abroad have been put forward by the Federation of British Industries, says a writer in the "Daily Telegraph." These proposals, which are designed to secure for commercial problems and interests a position in State activities more commensurate with their importance, embody the ideas of practical and representative men. The Federation comprises most of the great industrial associations and firms in the country, while its council includes many well-known leaders of British industry.

It appears to the federation inevitable that economic conditions after the war will greatly increase the severity of the competition in foreign markets at the very time when the burden of war expenditure will render it a vital necessity for British productions to secure a greatly increased sale in such markets. This situation will involve a great increase of effort on the part of all concerned, but above all, a very heavy responsibility will be thrown on the Government commercial service. The federation is convinced that to meet the situation a radical reorganisation and extension of this service is imperative.

It is proposed that all Government activities in connection with the promotion of British trade in foreign countries should be concentrated in a single department, which should be the Foreign Office. Its commercial duties should include:

(a) The direction of all services abroad.

(b) The collection and distribution of all industrial, financial, and commercial information relating to foreign countries.

(c) The prompt and vigorous support of all British efforts to secure contracts, concessions, or orders.

(d) Advice to the department in charge of industrial and commercial affairs on all questions in the United Kingdom which may affect foreign trade.

(e) Advice to his Majesty's Government as to the conditions on which they should permit the issue of foreign loans in the United Kingdom.

It is contended that the extension of Government activities above outlined is fully justified by the paramount necessity of securing the greatest possible increase of the earning power of British industry and the maximum of employment for British workers.

NEW COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.

To enable the Foreign Office to undertake these functions the funds at its disposal should be largely increased. Efficient machinery should be established to co-ordinate the work of the Foreign Office and of the department in charge of home industrial and commercial affairs.

It is proposed that the reorganisation of the Foreign Office and foreign services should involve the establishment of a large commercial branch, with staff and accommodation on a generous scale, this branch to be in the closest touch with the industrial and commercial community:

(a) By frequent personal interviews.

(b) By personal visits to industrial centres.

(c) By the appointment of small committees, composed of representatives of the firms most actively interested, to advise the various sections of the commercial branch on matters connected with the countries with which they deal, and to offer suggestions and criticism.

(d) By the appointment of a central committee, on which prominent members of the industrial and commercial community should form an important element, to perform the same advisory and critical functions for Government departments generally.

It is suggested that the members of the commercial branch should be placed in all respects on a footing of absolute equality with the political branch, and that there should be a constant mutual exchange of officials, at any rate in the junior ranks.

With regard to the diplomatic services an increase of staff is recommended to enable sufficient time to be deved to the study of industrial and commercial questions, and it is urged that a certain minimum of commercial experience in each grade of the service should be insisted on, and that a certain period during an officer's service in each grade should be devoted to this work as an essential qualification for promotion.

COMMERCIAL COUNSELORS.

In the federation's opinion, however, something more is needed to ensure detailed and expert knowledge of local conditions, and it is therefore recommended:

That the present commercial attaches should be replaced by officers of high rank, to be known as commercial counsellors, to each embassy or legation, to be in sole charge, under the Minister or Ambassador, of all commercial work in the country.

These officers would be given one or more assistants, and rank, emoluments, and position second only to that of the Minister or Ambassador, and be regarded as regular members of the Diplomatic Service.

It is contemplated that the commercial work of the Consular Service would be subject to the direction of the commercial counsellors, and that there should be a large increase in the numbers of the regular service, a redistribution of posts to correspond with commercial needs, the reduction to a minimum of the posts held by unpaid Consuls, the provision of sufficient clerical and other assistance to enable Consular officer to devote the bulk of their time to commercial work, and the provision of adequate local and travelling allowances.

Other suggestions are that only natural-born British subjects should be eligible for appointment to any post, paid or unpaid, in the Government service, and that a small number of men with practical business experience should be introduced especially into the commercial branch of the Foreign Office and the Commercial Counsellor Service.

Finally it is recommended that a large number of technical and commercial experts should be selected and sent, when required, to investigate and report upon industrial and commercial conditions and opportunities in particular countries and particular markets.

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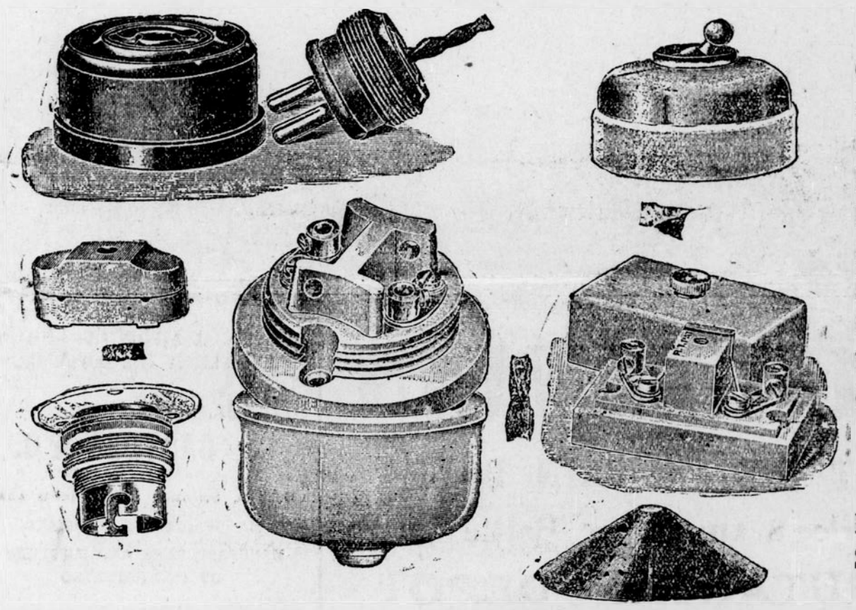

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